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# The WOOL SITUATION

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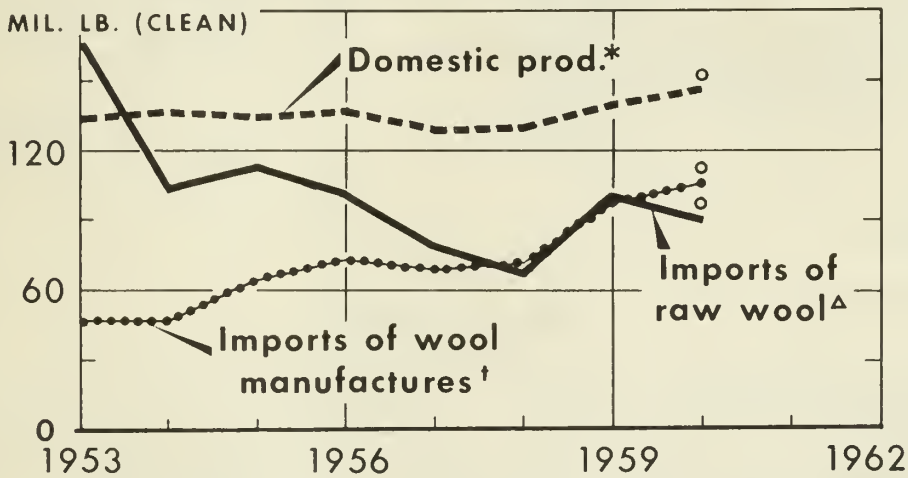
## APPAREL WOOL: DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AND IMPORTS




*SHORN AND PULLED WOOL △ DUTIABLE WOOLS ○ INDICATED SEPTEMBER 1
† RAW WOOL CONTENT OF IMPORT TRADE BALANCE OF WOOL SEMI-MANUFACTURES AND MANUFACTURES.

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Domestic wool production is slightly higher again this year. Shorn wool output increased 3 percent in 1960, the highest since 1946. Pulled wool production probably is higher as slaughter of sheep and lambs is above a year ago. Some further increase in shorn wool output can be expected in 1961 as sheep numbers probably will continue to rise.

Imports of both dutiable and duty-free wools are down substantially from last year. This decrease reflects the working down of commercial stocks and lower mill consumption. In contrast to lower mill use and imports of raw wool, the imports of wool semi-manufactures and manufactures continue to increase.

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Wool Situation at a Glance

| Item | Unit | 1959 June | 1959 July | 1959 Aug. | 1960 June | 1960 July | 1960 Aug. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Average price received by farmers, grease basis | Cents per pound | 43.5 | 45.4 | 43.7 | 44.1 | 42.8 | 41.0 |
| Parity price 1/ | do. | 72.1 | 72.1 | 71.9 | 74.2 | 73.9 | 73.9 |
| Farm price as a percentage of parity | Percent | 60 | 63 | 61 | 59 | 58 | 55 |
| Domestic prices, Boston, clean basis 2/ | | | | | | | |
| Graded territory | | | | | | | |
| Fine, good French combing and staple | Cents per pound | 122.5 | 128.5 | 132.5 | 115.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 |
| 1/2 blood, good French combing and staple | do. | 117.5 | 123.5 | 127.5 | 112.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| Graded fleece | | | | | | | |
| 3/8 blood, good French combing and staple | do. | 102.5 | 108.5 | 111.5 | 108.8 | 107.0 | 106.5 |
| 1/4 blood, good French combing and staple | do. | 97.5 | 103.5 | 107.5 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 104.5 |
| Original bag Texas, fine 12 months good French combing and staple | do. | 122.5 | 131.1 | 137.5 | 117.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 |
| Imported prices, Boston, clean, excluding duty 2/ | | | | | | | |
| Australian, 64's, 70's, good topmaking | do. | 107.5 | 111.5 | 112.5 | 122.5 | 122.5 | 117.5 |
| Australian, 64's combing | do. | 102.5 | 106.5 | 107.5 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 112.5 |
| Montevideo, 0's (58's, 60's) | do. | 111.0 | 111.0 | 111.0 | 98.5 | 97.5 | 89.5 |
| Montevideo, 2's (50's) | do. | 103.5 | 103.5 | 103.5 | 92.5 | 91.2 | 84.5 |
| Buenos Aires, 5's (40's) | do. | 80.0 | 83.6 | 84.5 | 83.0 | 83.0 | 83.0 |
| BLS wholesale price index 3/ | | | | | | | |
| All commodities | 1947-49=100 | 119.7 | 119.5 | 119.1 | 119.5 | 119.7 | 119.2 |
| Textile products and apparel | do. | 94.9 | 95.3 | 95.7 | 96.3 | 96.3 | 96.1 |
| Wool products | do. | 102.2 | 103.3 | 104.3 | 102.1 | 101.8 | 101.5 |
| Wool broadwoven fabrics | do. | 103.3 | 104.0 | 104.4 | 105.8 | 105.1 | 105.1 |
| Personal income payments (adjusted) 4/ | Billion dollars | 386.8 | 386.9 | 383.3 | 406.1 | 407.3 | 407.6 |
| Retail store sales (apparel group adjusted) 4/ | Million dollars | 1,100 | 1,134 | 1,096 | 1,125 | 1,119 | 1,166 |
| Mill consumption, scoured basis 5/ | | | | | | | |
| Average weekly rate (unadjusted) 6/ | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | 1,000 pounds | 5,314 | 5,081 | 5,326 | 5,253 | 4,660 | 5,099 |
| Carpet wool | do. | 2,946 | 2,425 | 3,419 | 2,295 | 2,252 | 3,524 |
| Average weekly rate (seasonally adjusted) 6/ | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | do. | 4,849 | 5,179 | 4,978 | 4,767 | 4,721 | 4,770 |
| Carpet wool | do. | 3,664 | 3,530 | 3,291 | 2,865 | 3,259 | 3,392 |
| Monthly aggregates 6/ | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | Million pounds | 26.6 | 20.3 | 21.3 | 26.3 | 18.6 | 20.4 |
| Carpet wool | do. | 14.7 | 9.7 | 13.7 | 11.5 | 9.0 | 14.1 |
| Accumulated since January 1 | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | do. | 135.3 | 155.6 | 176.9 | 131.6 | 150.2 | 170.6 |
| Carpet wool | do. | 89.7 | 99.4 | 113.0 | 84.5 | 93.5 | 107.6 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 225.0 | 255.0 | 289.9 | 216.1 | 243.7 | 278.2 |
| Imports for consumption, clean content | | | | | | | |
| Monthly aggregates | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wools | 1,000 pounds | 7,640 | 6,453 | 6,500 | 6,953 | 4,509 | 5,118 |
| Duty-free wools | do. | 17,909 | 13,678 | 11,927 | 16,757 | 14,084 | 12,896 |
| Accumulated since January 1 | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wools | Million pounds | 59.5 | 65.9 | 72.4 | 44.4 | 48.9 | 54.0 |
| Duty-free wools | do. | 112.6 | 126.3 | 138.2 | 83.0 | 97.1 | 110.0 |
| Total dutiable and duty-free | do. | 172.1 | 192.2 | 210.6 | 127.4 | 146.0 | 164.0 |
| Manmade staple and tow prices | | | | | | | |
| Acrilan 3 and 5 denier 7/ | Cents per pound | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 | 118.0 |
| Dacron, 3 denier, type 54 7/ | do. | 136.0 | 136.0 | 136.0 | 136.0 | 136.0 | 136.0 |
| Orlon, 3 denier, 7/ | do. | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 |
| Viscose, 1 1/2 denier 8/ | do. | 33.0 | 33.0 | 33.0 | 33.0 | 33.0 | 33.0 |

1/ Effective parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These are the legally applicable parity prices for the following months. 2/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market. 3/ U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 4/ U. S. Department of Commerce (seasonally adjusted annual rates).
5/ On woolen and worsted systems; excludes wool consumed on the cotton and other spinning systems and in the manufacture of processed felt, hat bodies, and other miscellaneous products. 6/ 4 or 5 weeks generally totaling 13 weeks per quarter.
7/ From Modern Textile Magazine. 8/ From Textile Organon.

# THE WOOL SITUATION

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## SUMMARY


U. S. mill consumption of apparel wool is expected to total about 245 million pounds in 1960 compared with 261 million pounds in 1959. This more than 5 percent decrease is due to a decline in the retail stores sales volume of apparel items. With the continued strong competition of non-cellulosic manmade fibers, the increase in the imports of wool manufactures, and no major change likely in consumer expenditures in 1961, total mill consumption probably will continue around this year's level.

Carpet wool mill use is expected to be about 165 million pounds in 1960 compared with 168 million pounds in 1959. This decrease in mill consumption is due, in part, to a substantial decline in new residential construction.

Domestic consumption of wool--mill consumption plus the foreign trade balance of wool manufactures--in 1960 probably will equal that of 1959. Larger imports of wool manufactures will offset lower mill consumption. Thus total wool consumed in the U. S. in 1960 will be about the same as the 550 million pounds consumed in 1959.

Imports of dutiable wools will total about 75 to 80 million pounds during 1960 compared with 100.5 million in 1959. Unless there is a build-up of commercial stocks in the U. S. during 1961, approximately the same amount of dutiable wool is expected to be imported in 1961. Imports of duty-free wools will be around 150 to 155 million pounds in 1960 compared with 192 million pounds in 1959. This reduction of imports is due to slightly less mill use and the working down of commercial stocks of dealers and manufactures. Duty-free imports during 1961 are likely to be about the same as the current year.

Domestic production of woolen and worsted fabrics is expected to total about 300 million linear yards in 1960, about 3 percent less than in 1959. Non-apparel items will decrease more than apparel fabrics. Men's and boys' apparel fabric production probably will be down more than that of women's and children's. With mill consumption of raw wool during 1961 expected to be about the same as 1960, woolen and worsted fabric production of around 300 million linear yards also is expected in 1961.

With little change in mill consumption likely in 1961, prices received by domestic producers for shorn wool probably will show much the same pattern as this year. Some further decline is likely in the next several months as demand for apparel items continues weak. Prices may move up seasonally as the new clip moves into the market, reaching a peak sometime around mid-summer. As in

recent years, the high in this price advance probably will be about 10 percent above the low.

The incentive level for the 1961 marketing year (April 1, 1961 to March 31, 1962) has been set at 62 cents per pound for shorn wool. This is the same level as for each of the first 6 years of the program. The support level for mohair for the 1961 marketing year has been set at 73 cents per pound, 3 cents higher than for the first 6 years.

World wool prices probably will remain relatively stable at present levels until late 1960 when some further decline can be expected, due to continued heavy offerings of wool and less mill consumption in the major manufacturing countries. Mill activity in some of the major manufacturing countries probably will begin increasing in 1961 which probably will lead to some increase in prices. The average auction price so far in the 1960-61 season has been below a year earlier and probably will average lower for the season.

During January-August 1960, U. S. mill consumption totaled 278.2 million pounds, scoured basis, 4 percent less than the same period a year earlier. Apparel wool mill use was 170.6 million pounds, compared with 176.9 million pounds during January-August 1959. The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of apparel wool mill consumption for August 1960 was 4,770 thousand pounds, 1 percent more than for July 1960, but 4 percent less than in August 1959. Carpet wool mill consumption during January-August 1960 was 107.6 million pounds compared with 113.0 million pounds last year. The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of mill use for August 1960 was 3,392 thousand pounds, 4 percent more than in July 1960 and 3 percent more than in August 1959.

Imports of raw wool into the U.S. during January-August 1960 totaled 164 million pounds, clean content, 22 percent less than a year ago. Dutiable wool imports amounted to 54 million pounds, duty-free wool imports totaled 110 million pounds, 26 and 20 percent, respectively, less than January-August 1959. Imports of woven fabric, knit wearing apparel, tops, yarns, and carpets and rugs, during the first 6 months of 1960, are all above a year ago, while only imports of wastes and noils are less.

U. S. production of woolen and worsted fabric (except felt) during the second quarter of 1960 totaled 80.7 million linear yards, 6 percent less than the second quarter of 1959, but 9 percent more than the first quarter of 1960. For the first 6 months of 1960, fabric output totaled 154.7 million linear yards, 3 percent less than a year earlier.

The Commonwealth Economic Committee has estimated the 1960-61 world wool production at 5,560 million pounds, grease basis, 1 percent less than the revised estimate of 5,615 million pounds in 1959-60. The 1960-61 clip is estimated to have a clean equivalent of 3,166 million pounds. Of the 1960-61 total, 2,541 million pounds are apparel wools, 625 million pounds are of all other wools. Apparel wool output is down slightly due to less production of merino wools in Australia and the Union of South Africa.

World consumption of raw wool probably will total about 3.2 billion pounds, clean content, in 1960, about the same as the Commonwealth Economic Committee's estimate of 3,193 million pounds for 1959. Consumption of raw wool in the 10 chief wool manufacturing countries of the free world totaled 510 million pounds during April-June 1960, about equal to the second quarter of 1959 but 4 percent less than the first quarter of 1960. During the first 6 months of 1960, raw wool consumption in these 10 countries was 8 percent more than the same period of 1959.

World production of wool tops, yarns and fabrics in the leading manufacturing countries during January-June 1960 were above the first 6 months of 1959. However, only fabric production increased from the first to the second quarter of 1960, as output of both tops and yarns decreased. World trade in wool manufactures is beginning to level off, showing signs of weakness which may cause some declines in production and trade of wool products in the next several months.

## THE DOMESTIC SITUATION

### MILL USE OF RAW WOOL BELOW YEAR AGO

Mill consumption of apparel wool is expected to be about 245 million pounds in 1960 compared with 261.2 million pounds in 1959. This more than 5 percent decrease is due to a decline in retail stores sales of apparel items which resulted in a slowing down of second orders and weakness in initial order buying. In addition, competition from the non-cellulosic manmade fibers continues strong as the blending of fibers in fabric production increases. With the continued strong competition of non-cellulosic production, the increase in imports of wool manufactures, and no major change likely in consumer expenditures in 1961, total mill use probably will continue around this year's level.

During January-August 1960, mill consumption of apparel wool totaled 170.6 million pounds, scoured basis, 4 percent less than the same period a year earlier. August 1960 apparel wool use amounted to 20.4 million pounds compared with 18.6 million in July 1960 and 21.3 million in August 1959.

The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of apparel wool mill use for August 1960 was 4,770,000 pounds. This was 1 percent more than the adjusted rate of 4,721,000 pounds for July 1960, but 4 percent less than the 4,978,000 pound rate of August 1959. (See table 15).

The worsted system's share of apparel wool consumption has been about the same this year as last but more than that of 1958. The worsted system accounted for 53.5 percent of the apparel wool consumed during January-August 1960, compared with 53.6 percent in 1959 and 49.5 percent in 1958.(See table 1 ).

Table 1 .--Percentage distribution of apparel wool consumption on woolen and worsted systems, United States, January-August 1955-60

| Year | Woolen | Worsted | Total |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| 1955 | 51.3 | 48.7 | 100.0 |
| 1956 | 49.5 | 50.5 | 100.0 |
| 1957 | 50.7 | 49.3 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | 50.5 | 49.5 | 100.0 |
| 1959 | 46.4 | 53.6 | 100.0 |
| 1960 | 46.5 | 53.5 | 100.0 |

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

During the first 8 months of 1960, there has been a slight shift in grades of apparel wool used from those of a year earlier. The use of apparel wools in the grades 50's up to 60's have increased while the use of wool of 60's and finer and 48's and coarser have decreased. (See table 2).

Table 2.--Percentage distribution of apparel wool consumption, by grades, January-August 1955-60

| Year | 60's and finer | 50's up to 60's | 48's and coarser | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| 1955 | 52.8 | 35.8 | 11.4 | 100.0 |
| 1956 | 54.0 | 35.3 | 10.7 | 100.0 |
| 1957 | 50.7 | 39.8 | 9.5 | 100.0 |
| 1958 | 48.9 | 41.6 | 9.5 | 100.0 |
| 1959 | 49.6 | 40.9 | 9.5 | 100.0 |
| 1960 | 48.0 | 43.5 | 8.5 | 100.0 |

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Mill use of carpet wool is expected to be about 165 million pounds in 1960 compared with 168 million pounds in 1959. This decrease is due, in part, to a substantial decline in new residential construction from 1959. Shipments of carpets and rugs are down more than the mill use of wool. This indicates that wool appears to be holding it's own relatively well in competition with other natural and synthetic fibers.

Carpet wool mill consumption during January-August 1960 amounted to 107.6 million pounds, scoured basis, 5 percent less than the 113.0 million pounds used during the first 8 months of 1959. August 1960 carpet wool mill use totaled 14.1 million pounds compared with 9.0 million in July 1960 and 13.7 million in August 1959.

The seasonally adjusted average weekly rate of carpet wool mill consumption for August 1960 was 3,392,000 pounds. This was 4 percent more than the adjusted rate of 3,259,000 pounds in July 1960 and 3 percent more than the August 1959 rate of 3,291,000 pounds.(See table 15).

Total U. S. mill consumption of raw wool during January-August 1960 was 278.2 million pounds. This was 4 percent less than the 289.9 million pounds used during the first 8 months of 1959. The weekly average unadjusted rate of mill use for the first 34 weeks of 1960 was 8,183,000 pounds compared with 8,528,000 pounds for a year earlier.

## 1960 DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION OF WOOL TO EQUAL 1959

Domestic consumption of wool--mill consumption plus the foreign trade balance of wool semi-manufactures and manufactures--in 1960 should about equal that of 1959. Even though mill consumption of raw wool will be less than in 1959, imports of wool manufactures are increasing. Thus, the total wool consumed in the U. S. in 1960 will be about the same as the 550 million pounds, clean basis, consumed in 1959.

On a per capita basis, domestic consumption of wool probably will total about the same in 1960 as the 3.1 pounds, of last year. Apparel wool per capita use will be close to 2.05 pounds of 1959. Per capita consumption of carpet wool will be about the same as the 1.07 pounds last year.

## FIBER USE ON THE WOOLEN AND WORSTED SYSTEM DOWN

A total of 474.6 million pounds of all fibers was consumed on the woolen and worsted systems during January-August 1960, 4 percent less than the first 8 months last year. Raw wool's share of the total was 58.6 percent during this period, the same as a year ago. Both apparel and carpet wool use was less. Consumption of noils, reprocessed and reused wool also was less than a year ago.(See table 3).

Table 3 .--Fibers consumed in woolen spinning and worsted combing, January-August 1958-60

| Classification | Jan.-Aug. 1958 | Jan.-Aug. 1959 | Jan.-Aug. 1960 | Percent change 1960 from 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | Percent |
| Raw wool | 203,704 | 289,962 | 278,208 | -4.1 |
| Apparel | 137,425 | 176,920 | 170,574 | -3.6 |
| Woolen system | 69,466 | 82,137 | 79,264 | -3.5 |
| Worsted system | 67,959 | 94,783 | 91,310 | -3.7 |
| Carpet | 66,279 | 113,042 | 107,634 | -4.8 |
| Noils, reprocessed and reused wool, and other animal fibers | 104,228 | 116,717 | 111,637 | -4.4 |
| Man-made fibers 1/ | 69,006 | 75,052 | 72,463 | -3.4 |
| All other fibers (cotton, jute, other vegetable fibers) | 13,944 | 12,713 | 12,278 | -3.4 |
| Total all fibers | 390,882 | 494,444 | 474,586 | -4.0 |

1/ Excludes top converted from tow without combing.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Wool top production totaled 92.3 million pounds during January-August 1960 compared with 95.5 million pounds for the same period a year ago. This 3 percent drop is slightly less than the decrease in apparel wool use which may indicate that worsted fabric output probably will be down less than woolen fabric production in 1960. During August 1960, 88.6 percent of the fibers being used in wool top production was raw wool, 6.5 percent manmade fibers, and 4.9 percent all other fibers. These are about the same proportions as a year before, but the share of wool was higher in the last 2 years than in 1958, while the shares of manmade fibers are the same and those of all other fibers are less.(See table 16 ).

Fiber consumption on the worsted system (excluding manmade fiber converted to top without combing) during January-August 1960 amounted to 103.3 million pounds, 3.5 percent less than last year. Shorn and pulled wool accounted for about 89 percent of the fiber used in August, approximately the same as a year earlier, but considerably more than the 83 percent share of the fibers used in August 1958. Manmade fiber's share is about the same all three years, but that of all other fibers is less in 1959 and 1960 than it was in 1958.(See table 17).Wool in the grades 50's to 60's used on worsted system accounted for 39 percent of the total during the first 8 months this year compared with 33 percent for January-August 1959. The use of wool in the grades finer than 60's has decreased this year while the wool used in the grades 48's and coarser is about the same as a year ago.

Consumption of fibers in the spinning of yarns on the woolen system (except carpets) totaled 228.4 million pounds during January-August 1960, 3 percent less than the first 8 months last year. The use of other wool (tops, noils, etc.) was greater during the first 8 months this year than a year ago. Less shorn and pulled wool, reprocessed and reused wool, and manmade fibers was used during January-August 1960 than the same period last year. The shares of each of these fibers by months are shown in table 18 .

Fibers used in the spinning of carpet and rug yarns on the woolen system during January-August 1960 amounted to 142.9 million pounds, 6 percent less than a year ago. Raw wool's share of the total fiber used is slightly higher this year than last and considerably above 1958. Manmade fiber's share is about the same in 1960 as 1959, but substantially less than in 1958. Consumption of noncellulosic fibers increased, that of rayon and acetate decreased. The shares of each fiber by months are shown in table 19 .

## RAW WOOL IMPORTS DOWN FROM A YEAR AGO

Imports of dutiable wools are expected to total about 75 to 80 million pounds, clean content, during 1960 compared with 100.5 million pounds in 1959. Unless there is a build-up of commercial stocks in the U. S. during 1961, approximately the same amount of dutiable wool is expected to be imported in 1961.

During January-August 1960, imports of dutiable wool totaled 54.0 million pounds, clean content, 26 percent less than the same period a year ago, but 26 percent more than in the first 8 months of 1958. August 1960 imports were 5.1 million pounds compared with 6.5 million pounds in August 1959 and 3.5 million pounds in August 1958.

Imports of duty-free wools are expected to be around 150 to 155 million pounds, clean content, during 1960 compared with 191.6 million pounds in 1959. Part of this decline results from a reduction in stocks of carpet wool which were higher than usual last January 1. Duty-free imports during 1961 are likely to remain about the same as the current year.

January-August 1960 imports of duty-free wools totaled 110.0 million pounds, clean content, 20 percent less than the first 8 months of 1959, but 71 percent more than the same period of 1958. August 1960 duty-free imports were 12.9 million pounds, compared with 11.9 million pounds in August 1959 and 7.5 million pounds in August 1958.

Total imports of raw wool during January-August 1960 amounted to 164.0 million pounds, clean content, 22 percent less than the 210.7 million pounds of the same period a year earlier. This decrease in imports reflects higher world prices from mid-1959 to early 1960 and the lower domestic mill consumption in 1960. In addition, domestic wool production in 1960 was slightly higher than last year and trade sources indicate that dealers and manufactures are working down commercial stocks.

The percentage relationship of the quality composition of dutiable and duty-free wool imports for January-August 1958-60 are shown in table 4. Imports of dutiable wools finer than 56's have been increasing the last 3 years while those 56's and coarser have been decreasing. The wools of grades 60's and finer account for 60 percent of the total dutiable wools imported. Imports of duty-free wool of grades 40's to 44's and 44's to 46's have increased thus far this year while those not finer than 40's and the named wools have decreased.

## IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF WOOL MANUFACTURES UP SUBSTANTIAL

Imports of woven wool fabrics totaled 20.8 million pounds during the first 6 months of 1960, 27 percent more than in the same period last year. This is only slightly less than the record total of 22.9 million pounds for 1959. These fabrics enter the U. S. under a tariff quota, which allows a quantity equal to 5 percent of the average domestic wool fabric production of the 3 previous years to enter at 37.5 cents a pound plus a 25 percent ad valorem rate. After this quantity is imported, the ad valorem rate increases to 45 percent, except for certain religious and hand woven fabrics which come under a special over-quota ad valorem rate of 30 percent. The quota was set at 13.5 million pounds for 1960 and was filled by early March. In addition an over-quota for the special high-priced, high-quality fabric was set at 350,000 pounds. This was filled by early July. As a result of the hearings held in December 1959 before the U. S. Tariff Commission and the Committee for Reciprocity Information, the U. S. has agreed to renegotiate the woven wool fabric tariff. It is at present holding discussions with interested countries to determine if changes are to be made.

Table 4.--Quality composition of dutiable and duty-free imports, January-August 1958-60

| Grade | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| | | Dutiable | |
| 60's and finer | 57.0 | 59.8 | 60.0 |
| 56's to 60's | 8.0 | 9.7 | 12.6 |
| 50's to 56's | 10.0 | 6.9 | 6.9 |
| 40's to 50's | 9.6 | 8.5 | 7.1 |
| Not finer than 40's | 15.1 | 14.7 | 12.3 |
| Total 1/ | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| | | Duty-free | |
| 44's to 46's | --- | 1.5 | 1.9 |
| 40's to 44's | 0.3 | 5.2 | 8.3 |
| Not finer than 40's | 63.7 | 58.7 | 55.7 |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | 36.0 | 34.6 | 34.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

1/ Includes small amount of carbonized wool for which grade is not reported.

Imports of top during January-June 1960 totaled 3.2 million pounds, 33 percent more than the 2.4 million pounds imported the first 6 months last year. These imports came chiefly from Uruguay, the United Kingdom, the Union of South Africa, Belgium, and Australia.

Yarn imports amounted to 2.9 million pounds during the first 6 months of 1960, 14 percent more than the same period last year. Chief countries supplying these imports were Japan, Belgium, the United Kingdom, Italy, France, and West Germany.

Imports of knit wearing apparel also continue to increase. They totaled 2.2 million pounds during January-June 1960, 55 percent more than the first 6 months a year

ago. Japan, Italy, and the United Kingdom were the principal supplying countries.

Imports of carpets, rugs and mats during the first 6 months of 1960 totaled 73.1 million square feet or about 14.6 million pounds, 42 percent more than during January-June 1959. Imports of wastes amounted to 7.3 million pounds, 21 percent less than last year. Noil imports totaled 19.3 million pounds during January-June 1960, 4 percent less than the same period a year ago.

Exports of top during January-June 1960 amounted to 112,798 pounds, 8 percent more than in 1959. Yarn exports totaled 166,802 pounds during the first 6 months, 55 percent more than a year earlier. Exports of woven fabrics amounted to 383,354 square yards, while those of carpets and rugs totaled 101,927 square yards, 14 and 6 percent, respectively, more than during January-June 1959. Only the exports of wastes and noils are less than a year ago.

## WOOLEN AND WORSTED FABRIC PRODUCTION DOWN SLIGHTLY

Domestic production of woolen and worsted fabrics is expected to total about 300 million linear yards in 1960, down about 10 million linear yards from 1959. Non-apparel items will decrease more than apparel goods. Men and boys apparel fabric output probably will be down more than that of women and childrens goods. With mill consumption of raw wool during 1961 expected to be about the same as 1960, woolen and worsted fabric output of around 300 million linear yards also is expected in 1961.

U. S. production of woolen and worsted fabric (except felt) during the second quarter of 1960 amounted to 80.7 million linear yards, 6 percent less than the second quarter of 1959, but 9 percent more than the first quarter of 1960. For the first 6 months of 1960, fabric production totaled 154.7 million linear yards, 3 percent less than in January-June 1959. Production of woven felt during April-June 1960 totaled 2.3 million pounds, about the same as January-March 1960, but slightly less than during April-June 1959 (See table 20).

Apparel fabric production during April-June 1960 totaled 79.3 million linear yards, 5 percent less than the second quarter of 1959, but 9 percent more than the first quarter of 1960. Output of men's and boy's goods during the second quarter of 1960 was 13 percent less than the second quarter of 1959 and only about equal to the first quarter of 1960. Slightly more than half the output was on the worsted system. Production of women's and children's fabric during the second quarter of 1960 was approximately the same as the second quarter of 1959, but 17 percent more than the first quarter of 1960. All of the increase in apparel fabric output from the first to the second quarter of 1960 has been in women's and childrens' items. (See table 20).

Non-apparel fabric production during the second quarter of 1960 totaled 1.4 million linear yards, 28 percent less than the second quarter of 1959, but 2 percent more than the first quarter of 1960. The decline from a year ago is due to the continued decrease in output of blanketing and transportation upholstery.

Revised data for 1959 shows that output of woolen and worsted fabric (except felt) totaled 310.8 million linear yards, 15 percent more than the 271.3 million linear yards in 1958. Woven felt production amounted to 9.6 million pounds, 16 percent more than 1958. Production of all apparel items, except government orders, in 1959 were significantly above a year earlier. Production of men and boys apparel items increased by a greater percentage than apparel items for women and children. Also, worsted production increased more than that of woolen goods. Production of non-apparel fabric in 1959 continued the downward trend of the last several years, due chiefly to the decline in blanketing.

## PRODUCER'S AVERAGE PRICE BELOW A YEAR EARLIER

With little change in mill consumption likely in 1961, prices received by producers for shorn wool probably will show much the same pattern as this year. Some further decline is likely in the next several months as the demand for apparel items continues weak. The low probably will average about 38 to 39 cents per pound, grease basis. Prices may move up seasonally as the new clip moves into the market, reaching a peak around mid-summer. As in recent years, the high in this price advance probably will be about 10 percent above the low.

Average prices received by producers for shorn wool during the early months of the current marketing season were above those of the previous season, but have been lower since July. Prices received for shorn wool declined about 6 percent during the last half of 1959. The mid-month low average price in this decline was 42.6 cents per pound, grease basis, in February 1960. The average price then increased to 45.1 cents in May, the high for the current season. Since May the average price received by producers has been declining. In September the mid-month average price was 40.0 cents, the lowest since March 1959.

## BOSTON MARKET CONTINUES INACTIVE

Sales activity in the Boston market on domestic and foreign wools has been limited during the past year. Indications are that a large part of the wool is being bought directly by the mills. In addition, during recent weeks there has been a cautious attitude on the part of buyers who were waiting for price patterns to develop in world markets, a slowness in new fabric orders, and a working down of commercial stocks.

Prices quoted for domestic shorn wools in the Boston market have not changed since July as sales have been nominal. Quoted prices for shorn wool in September 1960 were the same to as much as 17 percent less than a year ago. Territory and fleece fine and half-blood

wools, on a clean basis, were 12 to 14 percent less than a year ago. Original bag Texas fine 12 months wool was 17 percent less in September compared with a year earlier. Prices for three-eighths and quarter-blood wools were only 2 to 7 percent less than a year ago. This has resulted in the narrowing of the price differential between the fine and the medium grades of wool. In September 1960 this differential was 5 to 8 cents compared with 21 to 24 cents in September 1959. (See Statistical Summary, Part I - Prices).

Quoted prices for domestic scoured pulled wools have been declining since July 1960. In September 1960 prices of grades 50's and finer were 9 to 14 percent lower than a year earlier. Only the coarser grades remained relatively unchanged.

Prices on limited sales of foreign wools in the Boston market declined in August 1960 following the downward movement of prices in the opening auctions of the 1960-61 marketing season. With nominal sales in Boston and relatively firm prices in world markets, prices at Boston were unchanged until October when they moved downward as much as 5 percent. (See table 5).

## INCENTIVE LEVEL CONTINUED AT 62 CENTS FOR 1961 MARKETING YEAR

The incentive level for the 1961 marketing year (April 1, 1961-March 31, 1962) has been set at 62 cents per pound for shorn wool. This is the same level as for each of the first 6 years of the program. It is 84 percent of the August 1960 parity price of 73.9 cents.

The shorn wool incentive price is established under provisions of the National Wool Act of 1954 which directs the Secretary of Agriculture to take into consideration prices paid and other cost conditions affecting sheep production in determining a support price that will encourage an annual production of 300 million pounds of shorn wool. The law also limits the amount available for making payments to 70 percent of the duties collected on imports of wool and wool manufactures since January 1, 1953.

The gap between yearly shorn wool production and the 300-million pound goal set by law has narrowed. Production in 1960 is expected to reach about 265 million pounds, up about 4 percent from 1959 and the highest since 1946. Production in 1960 is about 13 percent higher than in 1955 when the wool payment program started.

Payments to producers for the 1961 marketing year will be made by the same methods employed for the current year. Shorn wool payments will be equal to a percentage of each producer's cash returns from wool sales. The percentage will be that required to raise the national average price received by all producers for shorn wool up to the incentive price of 62 cents per pound.

Table 5.--Price per pound of selected imported wools, clean basis (American yield), excluding duty, at Boston, 1959-60

| Item | 1959 June | 1959 July | 1959 Aug. | 1959 Sept. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound |
| Australian | | | | |
| 64's, 70's warp and 1/2 warp | 112.5 | 116.5 | 117.5 | 118.5 |
| 64's, 70's good topmaking | 107.5 | 111.5 | 112.5 | 113.5 |
| 64's, combing | 102.5 | 106.5 | 107.5 | 108.5 |
| 58's, 60's combing | 97.5 | 101.5 | 102.5 | 103.5 |
| Montevideo | | | | |
| 0's (58's 60's) | 111.0 | 111.0 | 111.0 | 109.3 |
| 1's (56's) | 107.0 | 107.0 | 107.0 | 105.1 |
| 2's (50's) | 103.5 | 103.5 | 103.5 | 101.3 |
| 3's (46's, 48's) | 91.0 | 91.0 | 91.0 | 89.3 |
| 4's (44's) | 86.0 | 86.0 | 86.0 | 85.3 |
| 5's (40's) | 86.0 | 86.0 | 86.0 | 85.3 |
| Buenos Aires | | | | |
| 5's (40's) | 80.0 | 83.6 | 84.5 | 83.9 |
| 5/6's (40/36's) | 78.0 | 83.0 | 84.5 | 83.9 |
| | 1960 | | | |
| Australian | | | | |
| 64's, 70's warp and 1/2 warp | 127.5 | 127.5 | 122.5 | 122.5 |
| 64's, 70's good topmaking | 122.5 | 122.5 | 117.5 | 117.5 |
| 64's combing | 117.5 | 117.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 |
| 58's, 60's combing | 112.5 | 112.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| Montevideo | | | | |
| 0's (58's, 60's) | 98.5 | 97.5 | 89.5 | 89.5 |
| 1's (56's) | 98.5 | 96.6 | 87.5 | 87.5 |
| 2's (50's) | 92.5 | 91.2 | 84.5 | 84.5 |
| 3's (46's, 48's) | 87.5 | 87.5 | 82.5 | 82.5 |
| 4's (44's) | 87.5 | 87.5 | 82.5 | 82.5 |
| 5's (40's) | 87.5 | 87.5 | 82.5 | 82.5 |
| Buenos Aires | | | | |
| 5's (40's) | 83.0 | 83.0 | 83.0 | 81.6 |
| 5/6's (40/36's) | 82.0 | 82.0 | 82.0 | 80.6 |

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Lamb payments will be made to each producer who sells lambs that have never been shorn. The payments will be at a rate per hundredweight of live animals marketed to compensate for the wool on them on a basis comparable to the national average incentive payment per pound of shorn wool.

Payments to producers for the first 4 years (1955 through 1958) of the wool incentive program totaled $210,660,000. Of this, $180,332,000 was paid on shorn wool and $30,328,000 on unshorn lambs. From these amounts, $11,464,000 was deducted for sales promotion for lamb and wool being conducted by the American Sheep Producers Council, Inc.

Incentive payments for shorn wool for the 1959 marketing year will be less than in 1958 because of the higher average price received and the smaller marketings. Through August 31, payments had amounted to 44.7 million dollars for shorn wool and 8.2 million dollars for unshorn lambs. (See table 21 ).

## MOHAIR SUPPORT LEVEL SET AT 73 CENTS FOR 1961-62

The National Wool Act which authorizes the incentive payment program for shorn wool also provides for a mohair support level which must be within a range of 15 percent above or below the comparable percent of parity at which shorn wool is supported. For the 1961 marketing year (April 1, 1961-March 31, 1962) this level of support has been set at 73 cents, which was 72 percent of parity price when announced. This is up 3 cents above the level of the first 6 years of the program.

As a result of a greater increase in the mohair parity price than for wool this past year, an increase was required in the mohair support price to maintain its relationship to shorn wool as required by the Act. No mohair payments have been made during the first 5 years of the program as the average price received by producers has been above the support price.

## MOHAIR PRICES AND EXPORTS DOWN FROM YEAR EARLIER

The average mid-month price received by producers for Texas mohair in September 1960 was 72.0 cents per pound, grease basis, the lowest since September 1958. Mohair prices increased during late 1959 and reached a high of $1.06 per pound in April 1960. Since April, prices have declined substantially. The average price received in September 1960 was 23 percent less than the 93 cents received in September 1959.

Exports of mohair during January-August 1960 totaled 8.4 million pounds, clean content, 23 percent less than the 10.9 million pounds exported the first 8 months of 1959, but 21 percent more than during January-August 1958. The United Kingdom accounted for more than 65 percent of these exports, followed by the Netherlands, Belgium, Japan, Italy, and West Germany.

## JANUARY-JUNE PRODUCTION OF NON-CELLULOSIC MANMADE FIBERS ABOVE YEAR AGO

Production of domestic manmade fibers during the first 6 months of 1960 totaled 861.9 million pounds, 1.5 percent less than the same period last year. Rayon and acetate production declined 8 percent to 510.6 million pounds, with output of staple down more than that of filament yarn. In contrast to the decreases in output of rayon and acetate, production of non-cellulosic fibers increased 10 percent to 351.3 million pounds. (See table 22 ).

During 1959, U. S. manmade fiber production totaled 1,813.1 million pounds, an increase of 20 percent from 1958. Non-cellulosic production, which accounted for 36 percent of the 1959 total output increased 32 percent, while cellulosic production increased 14 percent. World production of manmade fibers rose 15 percent--38 percent for non-cellulosic fibers and 11 percent for rayon and acetate fibers. The U. S. accounted for 51 percent of the world non-cellulosic production and 21 percent of the world cellulosic output in 1959. (See table 22 ).

By the end of 1961, the annual planned capacity for production of manmade fibers in the world will reach 10,215 million pounds, 10 percent larger than that at the end of 1960. U. S. producers plan an 11 percent increase in capacity. Planned production of rayon and acetate is only slightly higher while that for non-cellulosic fibers is increased 28 percent.(See table 22 ).

Prices quoted for most manmade fibers have remained unchanged during the last year. The few changes that were made were downward, including some rayon yarns; acrilan, acrylic staple; Kodel, polyester staple; and tyrex tire yarn.

## SHIPMENTS OF WOVEN CARPETS AND RUGS DOWN 15 PERCENT

Shipments of woven wool and blended carpets and rugs during January-August 1960 totaled 32.6 million square yards, 15 percent less than the 38.3 million square yards shipped in the first 8 months last year. Thus far this year, shipments in each month have been less than in the same month a year earlier. In August 1960 shipments amounted to 3.8 million square yards compared with 4.5 million in August 1959 and 2.6 million in July 1960. (See table 6).

Table 6.--Shipments of woven carpets and rugs, United States, by months, 1956 to date

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd. | 1,000 sq. yd |
| 1956 | 5,054 | 5,681 | 6,671 | 5,154 | 4,252 | 4,800 | 3,324 | 5,422 | 5,995 | 6,215 | 4,964 | 5,414 | 63,946 |
| 1957 | 4,893 | 5,345 | 5,819 | 5,142 | 4,109 | 3,911 | 3,248 | 4,379 | 5,279 | 5,236 | 4,019 | 4,273 | 55,653 |
| 1958 | 3,763 | 4,078 | 4,603 | 4,330 | 3,675 | 3,510 | 3,090 | 3,999 | 4,903 | 5,714 | 4,718 | 4,982 | 51,365 |
| 1959 | 4,419 | 5,243 | 6,000 | 5,356 | 4,474 | 4,770 | 3,463 | 4,527 | 5,160 | 5,490 | 4,442 | 5,152 | 58,495 |
| 1960 | 4,016 | 4,593 | 5,504 | 4,361 | 3,689 | 4,062 | 2,566 | 3,761 | | | | | |

From American Carpet Institute, Incorporated.

### ARMED FORCES 2ND QUARTER WOOL USE UP

Use of wool by the Armed Forces during the second quarter of 1960 was up substantially from that of the first quarter. During April-June 1960 it amounted to 1.4 million pounds, clean basis, compared with 0.4 million during January-March 1960 and 0.9 million pounds in April-June 1959. However, the first 6 months use of 1.8 million pounds is more than 52 percent less than during January-June 1959. Use of cotton in the second quarter of 1960 is about the same as the first quarter of 1960 but substantially below a year ago levels. Manmade fiber use is down in April-June 1960 compared with January-March 1960 and April-June 1959. (See table 23).

## THE WORLD WOOL SITUATION

### WORLD WOOL PRICES LOWER THAN A YEAR EARLIER

World wool prices will remain relatively stable at present levels until late 1960 when a further decline probably can be expected due to the continued heavy offerings of wool in most world markets and less mill consumption in the major manufacturing countries. Mill activity in some of the major manufacturing countries probably will begin increasing in 1961 which probably will lead to some increase in prices. With prevailing supply and demand conditions there is little likelihood of wide fluctuation in the upward or downward movement of price patterns during the next year. The average auction price so far in the 1960-61 season has been below a year earlier and probably will average lower for the season.

The 1960-61 Australian marketing season began during the week of August 22. Prices at the opening auctions in Sydney were 6 to 9 percent less than those at the close of the 1959-60 season in early July, and 15 to 20 percent less than the opening of the 1959-60 auctions. The offerings of the current season have been relatively heavy--although lower than expected in some cases due to late shearing. Buyers from the Continent, Japan, and the United Kingdom showed the most interest. Prices have remained relatively stable during the current season.

The South African auctions opened on September 1 with prices 10 to 15 percent less than the prices at the closing auctions of the 1959-60 season the end of May. These auctions closed before the 5 to 10 percent downward adjustment in world prices that occurred in late June and early July. Thus the opening prices were in balance with other world markets. France, Italy, the United Kingdom and the United States have shown the most interest in these wools to date. Prices have remained relatively stable as offerings continue heavy. As prices have reached the South African Wool Commission floor support level, they have again had to purchase considerable quantities of wool this season.

September London auctions of Dominion wools opened 4 to 9 percent less than the close of July sales. This followed the downward movement of world prices. Prices at the close of September sales were mostly unchanged from the opening. (See table 24).

Sales activity in the South American markets continues nominal. Monetary policies and a lack of interest by sellers has kept these markets relatively inactive the past year. As a result, the carry-over stocks of wool are higher than a year ago. Some increase in activity can be expected as larger volumes of the 1960-61 clip move into the market during October-November.

## WORLD PRODUCTION

World wool production in 1960-61 will total a record 5,625 million pounds, grease basis, up about 1 percent from the previous season, according to preliminary estimates of the Foreign Agricultural Service in midsummer. Recently the Commonwealth Economic Committee estimated the 1960-61 world clip at 5,560 million pounds, or about 1 percent less than the revised estimate of 5,615 million pounds in 1959-60. Included in both of these estimates for 1960-61 are the 1960 clips of producing countries in the Northern Hemisphere and the 1960-61 clips of the Southern Hemisphere.

The major difference between the two estimates is in the data for Australia. Both show a decrease, but the FAS estimate does not show as severe a decline--FAS-1,690 to 1,650 million pounds, CEC-1,690 to 1,600 million pounds. Australian sheep numbers on March 31,1960 were up about 2 percent from a year earlier but wool output is expected to be lower because of drought early in the season. Among the other major surplus producing countries, the Union of South Africa also shows a decrease of about 7 percent. New Zealand, the major producing countries of South America, and the United States show increases.

Free world wool production is estimated by CEC at 4,454 million pounds, grease basis, 1.5 percent less than the 4,522 million pounds last season. On a clean basis, free world production in 1960-61 is estimated at 2,547 million pounds. Total world production is set at 3,166 million pounds compared with 3,195 million pounds for the 1959-60 season.(See table 25).

Of the 1960-61 world total, apparel wools account for 2,541 million pounds, clean content, compared with 2,573 million pounds for 1959-60. The decline was in the merino wools as the output of crossbred wools increased slightly (See table 25). Output of other wools (carpet , unimproved, etc.) totaled 625 million pounds, up slightly from 1959-60.

## 1960 WORLD CONSUMPTION TO BE ABOUT SAME AS 1959

World consumption of raw wool in 1960 is expected to total about 3.2 billion pounds, clean content. This is approximately the same as the Commonwealth Economic Committee's estimate of 3,193 million pounds for 1959, which was almost 13 percent more than in 1958.

Estimated consumption of raw wool in the 10 chief wool manufacturing countries of the free world totaled 510 million pounds, clean basis, during the second quarter of 1960. This is equal to the second quarter of 1959, but 4 percent less than the first quarter of 1960. During January-June 1960, the 10 country consumption amounted to 1,041 million pounds, 8 percent more than the first 6 months of 1959.

Of the 10 chief manufacturing countries, only the United States, the United Kingdom, and the Netherlands consumed less during January-June 1960 than the same period a year earlier. The other 7 countries had increases ranging from 12 to 28 percent. However, only Japan and Australia increased raw wool consumption from the first quarter to the second quarter of 1960. This indicates that world consumption of wool is leveling off and will likely show some decline the second half of 1960. The demand for wool and wool products shows a slight weakness as the competition of manmade fibers continues strong.(See table 26).

## EXPORTS OF RAW WOOL IN 1959-60 EQUAL TO 1958-59

Exports of raw wool by the 5 major surplus producing countries of the Southern Hemisphere during the 1959-60 season as shown in table 7 totaled 2,393 million pounds, the same as in the 1958-59 season, but 19 percent more than the 1957-58 season.

Exports from Australia, New Zealand and Union of South Africa were 9, 4, and 9 percent, respectively, more than the same period in 1958-59. However, those of the Argentine and Uruguay were 33 and 48 percent below the corresponding period a year ago.

Table 7 .--Exports of wool, actual weight, from Southern Hemisphere surplus-producing countries, 1957-58, 1958-59 and 1959-60 seasons through June 1/

| Exporting country | 1957-58 | 1958-59 | 1959-60 |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil.lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. |
| Australia | 1,171 | 1,280 | 1,396 |
| New Zealand 2/ | 430 | 446 | 462 |
| Union of South Africa | 218 | 243 | 266 |
| Argentina | 105 | 313 | 211 |
| Uruguay 3/ | 81 | 111 | 58 |

1/ Season beginning July 1 in Australia, New Zealand, and Union of South Africa, and beginning October 1 in Argentina and Uruguay.
2/ Through May.
3/ Through July.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

## WORLD TRADE IN WOOL PRODUCTS LEVELING OFF

World production and trade of wool manufactures has been trending upward during the last several years, except for 1958 when there was a textile recession in the major manufacturing countries. In 1959 most segments of the wool industry were at the highest levels of the past decade. World trade in wool products is now beginning to level off and probably will decline in the next several months.

Production of wool top , yarns, and fabrics during January-June 1960 were all above the first 6 months of 1959. However, only fabric production increased from the first to the second quarter of 1960, as both output of top and yarns decreased.

Estimated production of top in the 11 major producing countries during the first 6 months of 1960 totaled 639 million pounds compared with 563 million pounds in the same period a year earlier. Output during April-June 1960 was 318 million pounds compared with 321 million pounds in January-March 1960. The United Kingdom, France, Japan, Italy, and the United States are the main producers. (See table 27 ).

Woolen and worsted yarn output during January-June 1960 in the 10 major producing countries totaled 1,410 million pounds compared with 1,300 million pounds the first 6 months of 1959. Production during April-June 1960 was 694 million pounds compared with 717 million pounds in January-March 1960. (See table 28).

Production of woven wool fabric during January-June 1960 in the 8 leading manufacturing countries amounted to 1,020 million square yards compared with 954 million a year earlier. Output of wool fabric increased in these countries from 505 million pounds in the first quarter to 515 million pounds in the second quarter of 1960. The United States, the United Kingdom and Japan are the principal manufacturing countries. (See table 29).

Free world exports of wool and hair top during 1959 totaled 242 million pounds, 21 percent more than 1958. France, Uruguay, the United Kingdom, Australia, Belgium and the Union of South Africa, which account for most of the exports, all show significant gains in exports of top during 1959. (See table 30 ). However, during the second quarter of 1960 all of these countries, except Uruguay and South Africa, show declines in top exports from the first quarter. Most of the decreases are minor but indicate a leveling off in trade of top . See table 31 for data by quarters for the principal exporting countries. Exports of top during the first 6 months of 1960 totaled 126.3 million pounds compared with 117.2 million pounds during January-June 1959.

Imports of top into the 15 leading importing countries during April-June 1960 totaled 36.8 million pounds compared with 37.1 million pounds in January-March 1960 and 39.1 million pounds in April-June 1959. During the first 6 months of 1960 imports of top in these countries amounted to 73.9 million pounds compared with 71.2 million pounds for the first 6 months last year. See table 31 for country breakdown by quarters.

Free world exports of woolen and worsted yarn during 1959 amounted to 170 million pounds, 27 percent more than 1958. France, Belgium , the United Kingdom ,and the Netherlands showed substantial gains in exports of yarns during 1959.(See table 30 ). However, exports of yarn from the 9 principal exporting countries during the first quarter of 1960 were down 11 percent from the fourth quarter of 1959 but were 40 percent above January-March 1959. Table 32 gives export data by quarters for these 9 countries. France, Belgium and the United Kingdom are principal exporters of wool yarn.

Imports of woolen and worsted yarns into the 12 main importing countries totaled 36.4 million pounds during January-March 1960 , 38 percent more than the first quarter of 1959, but 17 percent less than October-December 1959. West Germany and the Netherlands are the main importers.(See table 32 ).

Free world exports of wool fabric during 1959 totaled 233 million pounds, 19 percent more than 1958. Italy, Japan, and Belgium showed substantial increases among the chief exporters .(See table 30 ). Total exports of woolen and worsted fabric from the 9 chief exporting countries during the first quarter of 1960 amounted to 53 million pounds, 27 percent more than January-March 1959, but 7 percent less than the fourth quarter of 1959. Exports were more in each country during January-March 1960 than a year earlier, but less during the first 3 months of 1960 in all countries, except the United Kingdom, than October-December 1959. Italy and the United Kingdom are the major exporters of fabric. (See table 33 ).

# U. S. SHORN WOOL PRODUCTION, 1950 to 1960

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Domestic shorn wool production has increased more than 22 percent since 1950, when it was the second lowest on record. This increase in output is primarily due to the increase in the number of sheep and lambs shorn which increased at about the same rate as shorn wool production since 1950. The average fleece weights increased during the early 1950's but have since declined. In 1960 the average weight was only slightly above that of 1950. Relatively higher wool prices of the early 1950's, the incentive payments of the National Wool Act since 1955, and the ending of drought conditions in Southern Great Plains also have lead to an expansion in shorn wool production.

Shorn wool production in the U. S. in 1960 is estimated at 265.3 million pounds, grease basis, the highest since 1946. Production has increased more than 13 percent since 1955 when the National Wool Act went into effect. It is approaching the 300-million pound goal of the Act.

This increase in production has varied considerably by state and region. (See table 11). All states, except Michigan, Missouri, West Virginia, and Texas, had a larger output in 1960 than in 1950. In general, the "fleece or native" wool states increased their production more in the early and mid-1950's while the increase in the 11 Western states plus Texas and South Dakota has been in the last 3 years.

Most regions are producing about the same proportion of the total in 1960 as they were in 1950 except the West North Central and South Central. (See table 8 ). There has been a slight shift in shorn wool production from the South Central to the West North Central region. Within each of these regions there has been some significant shifts.

Shorn wool production in the West North Central area increased 64 percent from 1950 to 1960 and 31 percent from 1955 to 1960. South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, and Nebraska show significant increases. The effect of drought conditions in the mid-1950's can be seen in Kansas, Missouri, and Nebraska as production decreased during this period. This also can be noted this last year in North Dakota.

In the South Central region of the U. S., shorn wool output is approximately the same in 1960 as it was in 1950. This is due mainly to less production in Texas, which was caused by the drought conditions in the mid-1950's. Since 1958 output has increased almost 30 percent in Texas, but has declined in all other South Central States. The net increase for this region since 1955 is 9 percent.

Table 8.--Percentage distribution of shorn wool production, by Region, 1950,1955 and 1960

| Region | Percent of total | | | Percent increase since | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1950 | 1955 | 1960 | 1950 | 1955 |
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| North Atlantic | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 33.7 | 6.7 |
| South Atlantic | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 24.7 | 7.0 |
| East North Central | 8.4 | 9.2 | 8.2 | 19.1 | 1.4 |
| West North Central | 14.4 | 16.7 | 19.3 | 64.0 | 31.0 |
| South Central | 26.8 | 22.8 | 21.9 | .1 | 9.0 |
| Western | 47.6 | 48.2 | 47.6 | 22.2 | 11.9 |
| United States | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 22.3 | 13.3 |

Compiled from reports and records of Livestock and Poultry Statistics Branch. AMS.

In the Western region, shorn wool production has increased 22 percent since 1950 and 12 percent since 1955, about the same as the total for the U. S. All states show significant increases since 1950 except New Mexico and Nevada which have approximately the same output. Since 1955, all states in this area have increased production except Nevada, Utah, and Washington. Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and California show substantial gains in output during this past decade.

Shorn wool output in the North Atlantic and South Atlantic regions has increased 34 and 25 percent, respectively, since 1950 but only about 7 percent since 1955. In most of these states there were significant increases in the early and mid-1950's. However, in the late 1950's problems of disease, parasites, dogs, and management resulted in declines in many of these states.

In the East North Central region, production increased 19 percent from 1950 to 1960, slightly less than the U. S. total. However, the increase since 1955

was less than 2 percent, compared with the U. S. gain of 13 percent. Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois have increased production while Michigan and Wisconsin show declines.

The number of sheep and lambs shorn has increased more than 21 percent since 1950, when they were the lowest on record. (See table 9 ). In 1960 the number of sheep and lambs shorn or to be shorn is estimated at 32.1 million head, 17 percent more than in 1955 and the highest since 1946. The increase in the number of sheep and lambs shorn is larger than the increase in the number of stock sheep and lambs. This is probably due to relatively higher wool prices during the early 1950's and the National Wool Act since 1955.

This increase in numbers has varied by states and regions .(See table 12 ). All major regions show an increase in numbers from 1950 to 1960, except the South Central area which has a 2 percent decrease in the number of head shorn. Kentucky, Louisiana, and Texas in this South Central region had fewer head of sheep and lambs shorn in 1960 than 1950. In addition, Missouri and West Virginia also had less.

The largest increase in number of sheep and lambs shorn occurred in the West North Central region. Sixty-one percent more were shorn in 1960 than in 1950, and 36 percent more than in 1955. The number of head shorn increased less from 1950 to 1960 than shorn wool production as the average fleece weight increased. Since 1955 the number of head shorn increased more than output, as there has been a decrease in the average fleece weight in this area.

During 1950 to 1960, the number of sheep and lambs shorn increased more than shorn wool production in the North Atlantic, East North Central and Western regions as the average fleece weights were less in 1960 in these areas than in 1950. In the South Atlantic area, shorn wool production increased more than the number of head shorn as the average fleece weight increased.

Since 1955, the number of sheep and lambs shorn has increased more than production of shorn wool in all regions except the South Atlantic as the average fleece weights have been declining.

The average weight of fleece per sheep and lambs shorn in the U. S. has varied during 1950 to 1960 from a low of 8.14 pounds in 1958 to a record high of 8.55 pounds in 1955. In 1960 the average fleece weight was 8.26 pounds, about the same as the 8.22 pounds in 1950, but about 3 percent less than in 1955. (See table 13).

By regions, the average fleece weight in 1960 varies from a low of 5.70 pounds in the South Atlantic area to 8.94 pounds in Western area. By states, the range is from a low of 4.0 pounds in Florida to a high of 10.4 pounds in Idaho and Wyoming.

The number of stock sheep and lambs has increased more than 12 percent since 1950, when they were the lowest on record dating back to 1867. This increase in stock sheep is substantially less than the more than 21 percent increase in sheep shorn. Since 1955, the number of stock sheep has increased more than 8 percent compared with 17 percent for number of sheep shorn. (See table 10).

During the period 1950 to 1960, the number of stock sheep increased in all regions, except the South Central. The increases varied from about 11 percent in the Western area to almost 52 percent in the West North Central. Several states have fewer stock sheep in 1960 than in 1950.

Since 1955, the number of stock sheep has increased in all regions except the East North Central. The largest increase in this period has been in the West North Central area. There the stock sheep have been increased by almost 24 percent. (See table 14).

Table 9.--Percentage distribution of the number of sheep and lambs shorn, by Region, 1950, 1955 and 1960

| Region | Percent of total | | | Percent increase since | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1950 | 1955 | 1960 | 1950 | 1955 |
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| North Atlantic | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 36.3 | 9.4 |
| South Atlantic | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 19.5 | 4.4 |
| East North Central | 8.5 | 9.5 | 8.6 | 23.1 | 6.1 |
| West North Central | 14.9 | 17.1 | 19.7 | 61.1 | 35.6 |
| South Central | 29.7 | 25.1 | 23.9 | -2.0 | 11.6 |
| Western | 43.2 | 44.1 | 44.0 | 23.9 | 16.9 |
| U.S. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 21.7 | 17.3 |

Compiled from reports and records of Livestock and Poultry Statistics Branch. AMS.

Table 10.--Percentage distribution of the number of stock sheep and lambs on farms and ranches on January 1, by Region, 1950, 1955 and 1960

| Region | Percent of total | | | Percent increase since | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1950 | 1955 | 1960 | 1950 | 1955 |
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| North Atlantic | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 35.2 | 9.0 |
| South Atlantic | 2.6 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 19.4 | 4.8 |
| East North Central | 8.5 | 9.6 | 8.7 | 15.9 | -1.5 |
| West North Central | 14.0 | 16.6 | 18.9 | 51.7 | 23.6 |
| South Central | 29.4 | 24.7 | 24.5 | -6.2 | 7.6 |
| Western | 44.0 | 44.4 | 43.3 | 10.8 | 6.0 |
| United States | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 12.6 | 8.6 |

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Table 11.--Production of shorn wool, by States, 1950 to 1960

| States | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| Maine | 110 | 119 | 141 | 170 | 184 | 191 | 214 | 245 | 258 | 265 | 266 |
| New Hampshire | 38 | 41 | 45 | 44 | 54 | 59 | 60 | 61 | 54 | 48 | 48 |
| Vermont | 63 | 57 | 63 | 62 | 71 | 75 | 88 | 83 | 91 | 91 | 98 |
| Massachusetts | 51 | 56 | 64 | 75 | 76 | 82 | 84 | 86 | 80 | 80 | 78 |
| Rhode Island | 13 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 14 |
| Connecticut | 45 | 40 | 46 | 50 | 54 | 53 | 54 | 54 | 61 | 62 | 58 |
| New York | 840 | 858 | 930 | 1,047 | 1,047 | 1,092 | 1,113 | 1,187 | 1,174 | 1,212 | 1,172 |
| New Jersey | 75 | 72 | 79 | 94 | 87 | 105 | 98 | 110 | 108 | 114 | 122 |
| Pennsylvania | 1,497 | 1,528 | 1,642 | 1,702 | 1,718 | 1,756 | 1,833 | 1,808 | 1,778 | 1,809 | 1,798 |
| North Atlantic | 2,732 | 2,784 | 3,023 | 3,256 | 3,303 | 3,425 | 3,556 | 3,647 | 3,618 | 3,695 | 3,654 |
| Ohio | 7,896 | 7,896 | 8,390 | 8,806 | 8,806 | 8,996 | 9,519 | 9,264 | 9,352 | 9,277 | 9,116 |
| Indiana | 2,603 | 2,649 | 2,941 | 3,321 | 3,334 | 3,346 | 3,618 | 3,700 | 3,580 | 3,668 | 3,489 |
| Illinois | 3,569 | 3,724 | 4,454 | 4,788 | 4,564 | 4,697 | 4,383 | 4,822 | 4,745 | 4,745 | 4,902 |
| Michigan | 2,722 | 2,813 | 2,895 | 3,024 | 2,747 | 2,705 | 2,669 | 2,663 | 2,585 | 2,785 | 2,655 |
| Wisconsin | 1,504 | 1,630 | 1,794 | 1,871 | 1,888 | 1,738 | 1,667 | 1,725 | 1,718 | 1,706 | 1,619 |
| East North Central | 18,294 | 18,712 | 20,474 | 21,810 | 21,339 | 21,482 | 21,856 | 22,174 | 21,980 | 22,181 | 21,781 |
| Minnesota | 4,321 | 4,819 | 5,344 | 5,936 | 5,751 | 5,897 | 5,847 | 5,728 | 6,052 | 6,946 | 7,041 |
| Iowa | 5,779 | 6,468 | 7,088 | 7,934 | 7,998 | 7,919 | 8,474 | 9,005 | 9,949 | 10,971 | 10,569 |
| Missouri | 6,596 | 6,693 | 6,653 | 6,317 | 5,706 | 5,152 | 6,216 | 6,447 | 6,006 | 6,003 | 5,692 |
| North Dakota | 2,829 | 3,252 | 3,625 | 3,846 | 3,999 | 4,508 | 5,283 | 5,229 | 5,225 | 5,882 | 5,426 |
| South Dakota | 5,881 | 7,135 | 7,495 | 7,777 | 8,265 | 9,149 | 10,162 | 10,749 | 11,447 | 12,611 | 13,027 |
| Nebraska | 2,273 | 3,930 | 4,985 | 3,920 | 3,782 | 3,016 | 3,215 | 4,217 | 4,443 | 4,749 | 4,670 |
| Kansas | 3,632 | 3,735 | 4,007 | 3,146 | 3,512 | 3,555 | 3,982 | 4,325 | 4,908 | 4,852 | 4,936 |
| West North Central | 31,311 | 36,032 | 39,197 | 38,876 | 39,013 | 39,196 | 43,179 | 45,700 | 48,030 | 52,014 | 51,361 |
| Delaware | 13 | 13 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 33 | 39 | 39 |
| Maryland | 224 | 238 | 260 | 264 | 268 | 256 | 286 | 292 | 308 | 277 | 273 |
| Virginia | 1,415 | 1,458 | 1,550 | 1,618 | 1,622 | 1,699 | 1,781 | 1,770 | 1,788 | 1,757 | 1,792 |
| West Virginia | 1,453 | 1,484 | 1,516 | 1,579 | 1,555 | 1,472 | 1,544 | 1,534 | 1,447 | 1,420 | 1,393 |
| North Carolina | 162 | 191 | 220 | 239 | 245 | 270 | 273 | 301 | 330 | 365 | 358 |
| South Carolina | 15 | 16 | 20 | 22 | 30 | 38 | 61 | 79 | 95 | 82 | 65 |
| Georgia | 43 | 48 | 57 | 64 | 98 | 108 | 246 | 299 | 295 | 271 | 208 |
| Florida | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 18 | 23 | 31 | 34 | 34 | 32 |
| South Atlantic | 3,337 | 3,460 | 3,655 | 3,818 | 3,852 | 3,887 | 4,240 | 4,332 | 4,330 | 4,245 | 4,160 |
| Kentucky | 3,602 | 3,684 | 3,848 | 3,709 | 3,564 | 3,638 | 3,885 | 3,968 | 4,066 | 3,806 | 3,611 |
| Tennessee | 1,201 | 1,186 | 1,269 | 1,292 | 1,366 | 1,473 | 1,490 | 1,624 | 1,641 | 1,562 | 1,388 |
| Alabama | 88 | 100 | 139 | 176 | 240 | 412 | 416 | 398 | 358 | 336 | 331 |
| Mississippi | 230 | 302 | 335 | 374 | 392 | 439 | 468 | 495 | 522 | 468 | 440 |
| Arkansas | 167 | 175 | 192 | 207 | 258 | 320 | 366 | 396 | 366 | 324 | 329 |
| Louisiana | 282 | 282 | 352 | 385 | 398 | 440 | 436 | 400 | 404 | 352 | 336 |
| Oklahoma | 954 | 999 | 963 | 1,004 | 1,343 | 1,436 | 1,786 | 1,685 | 1,767 | 1,924 | 1,666 |
| Texas | 51,480 | 48,712 | 46,277 | 43,492 | 45,408 | 45,137 | 43,269 | 39,409 | 38,716 | 46,726 | 49,969 |
| South Central | 58,004 | 55,440 | 53,375 | 50,639 | 52,969 | 53,295 | 52,116 | 48,375 | 47,840 | 55,498 | 58,070 |
| Montana | 12,796 | 14,870 | 15,729 | 15,415 | 15,251 | 15,553 | 14,651 | 14,850 | 15,805 | 16,209 | 17,030 |
| Idaho | 9,588 | 9,984 | 10,181 | 10,483 | 10,695 | 10,384 | 10,148 | 9,700 | 10,103 | 10,727 | 11,171 |
| Wyoming | 17,462 | 20,568 | 19,810 | 20,209 | 21,142 | 19,320 | 20,120 | 19,354 | 20,715 | 21,181 | 22,851 |
| Colorado | 11,098 | 11,580 | 11,688 | 11,636 | 11,879 | 11,518 | 11,280 | 11,155 | 11,884 | 13,074 | 13,907 |
| New Mexico | 11,718 | 11,593 | 12,260 | 11,773 | 11,199 | 11,111 | 10,849 | 10,666 | 10,521 | 11,275 | 11,745 |
| Arizona | 2,886 | 2,481 | 2,590 | 2,908 | 3,228 | 3,006 | 3,024 | 3,055 | 3,033 | 3,067 | 3,204 |
| Utah | 11,092 | 12,395 | 12,605 | 12,730 | 12,740 | 12,610 | 12,741 | 11,863 | 11,747 | 12,045 | 11,950 |
| Nevada | 3,726 | 4,208 | 4,192 | 4,111 | 4,157 | 4,080 | 4,042 | 3,681 | 3,732 | 3,552 | 3,733 |
| Washington | 2,598 | 2,713 | 2,871 | 3,040 | 2,910 | 2,802 | 2,607 | 2,465 | 2,438 | 2,545 | 2,782 |
| Oregon | 5,366 | 5,682 | 6,120 | 6,029 | 6,525 | 6,723 | 6,845 | 6,932 | 7,180 | 7,542 | 7,930 |
| California | 14,936 | 15,589 | 15,539 | 15,525 | 15,605 | 15,666 | 17,315 | 17,560 | 18,316 | 18,332 | 19,935 |
| Western | 103,266 | 111,663 | 113,585 | 113,859 | 115,331 | 112,773 | 113,622 | 111,281 | 115,474 | 119,549 | 126,238 |
| United States | 216,944 | 228,091 | 233,309 | 232,258 | 235,807 | 234,058 | 238,569 | 235,509 | 241,272 | 257,182 | 265,264 |

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Table 12.--Number of sheep and lambs shorn, by Region, 1950 to 1960

| Region | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. |
| North Atlantic | 366 | 375 | 407 | 438 | 444 | 456 | 473 | 495 | 486 | 492 | 499 |
| South Atlantic | 611 | 639 | 673 | 691 | 692 | 699 | 743 | 746 | 748 | 740 | 730 |
| East North Central | 2,242 | 2,317 | 2,527 | 2,665 | 2,609 | 2,601 | 2,653 | 2,753 | 2,845 | 2,803 | 2,760 |
| West North Central | 3,932 | 4,360 | 4,912 | 4,851 | 4,766 | 4,672 | 5,098 | 5,545 | 6,047 | 6,243 | 6,334 |
| South Central | 7,826 | 7,837 | 7,122 | 6,725 | 6,854 | 6,868 | 6,811 | 6,328 | 6,539 | 7,127 | 7,666 |
| Western | 11,403 | 11,819 | 12,410 | 12,475 | 12,327 | 12,087 | 12,724 | 12,664 | 12,959 | 13,550 | 14,128 |
| United States | 26,380 | 27,347 | 28,051 | 27,845 | 27,692 | 27,383 | 28,502 | 28,531 | 29,624 | 30,955 | 32,117 |

Table 13.--Average weight of fleece per sheep and lambs shorn, by Region, 1950 to 1960

| Region | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. |
| North Atlantic | 7.46 | 7.42 | 7.43 | 7.43 | 7.44 | 7.51 | 7.52 | 7.37 | 7.44 | 7.51 | 7.32 |
| South Atlantic | 5.46 | 5.41 | 5.43 | 5.52 | 5.57 | 5.56 | 5.71 | 5.81 | 5.79 | 5.74 | 5.70 |
| East North Central | 8.16 | 8.08 | 8.10 | 8.18 | 8.18 | 8.26 | 8.24 | 8.05 | 7.73 | 7.91 | 7.89 |
| West North Central | 7.96 | 8.26 | 7.98 | 8.01 | 8.19 | 8.39 | 8.47 | 8.24 | 7.94 | 8.33 | 8.11 |
| South Central | 7.41 | 7.07 | 7.49 | 7.53 | 7.73 | 7.76 | 7.65 | 7.64 | 7.32 | 7.79 | 7.58 |
| Western | 9.06 | 9.45 | 9.15 | 9.13 | 9.36 | 9.33 | 8.93 | 8.79 | 8.91 | 8.82 | 8.94 |
| United States | 8.22 | 8.34 | 8.32 | 8.34 | 8.52 | 8.55 | 8.37 | 8.25 | 8.14 | 8.31 | 8.26 |

Table 14.--Number of stock sheep and lambs on farms and ranches, January 1, by Region, 1950 to 1960

| Region | 1950 | 1951 | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. | Thous. |
| North Atlantic | 403 | 412 | 446 | 480 | 487 | 500 | 515 | 536 | 526 | 535 | 545 |
| South Atlantic | 674 | 705 | 741 | 762 | 763 | 768 | 816 | 826 | 825 | 816 | 805 |
| East North Central | 2,212 | 2,293 | 2,489 | 2,645 | 2,604 | 2,602 | 2,545 | 2,561 | 2,641 | 2,646 | 2,563 |
| West North Central | 3,672 | 3,966 | 4,408 | 4,443 | 4,402 | 4,509 | 4,669 | 4,899 | 5,178 | 5,471 | 5,572 |
| South Central | 7,693 | 7,997 | 7,333 | 6,793 | 6,567 | 6,706 | 6,519 | 5,944 | 6,200 | 6,661 | 7,219 |
| Western | 11,528 | 11,878 | 12,527 | 12,470 | 12,256 | 12,052 | 11,948 | 11,772 | 11,957 | 12,368 | 12,777 |
| United States | 26,182 | 27,251 | 27,944 | 27,593 | 27,079 | 27,137 | 27,012 | 26,538 | 27,327 | 28,497 | 29,481 |

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STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Part I - Prices

| Item | 1959 June | 1959 July | 1959 Aug. | 1959 Sept. | 1960 June | 1960 July | 1960 Aug. | 1960 Sept. | Latest data available as percent of a year earlier |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Cents per pound | Percent |
| Boston, clean basis 1/ | | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic | | | | | | | | | |
| Graded territory shorn wool | | | | | | | | | |
| Fine good French combing and staple | 122.5 | 128.5 | 132.5 | 130.5 | 115.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 86 |
| 1/2 blood good French combing and staple | 117.5 | 123.5 | 127.5 | 125.5 | 112.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 86 |
| 3/8 blood good French combing and staple | 107.5 | 113.5 | 117.5 | 115.5 | 110.0 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 93 |
| 1/4 blood good French combing and staple | 102.5 | 108.5 | 111.8 | 109.5 | 106.0 | 106.8 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 98 |
| Low 1/4 blood | 97.5 | 103.5 | 107.5 | 105.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 101.5 | 96 |
| Common and braid | 92.5 | 98.5 | 102.5 | 100.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97 |
| Graded fleece shorn wool | | | | | | | | | |
| Delaine | 122.5 | 128.5 | 132.5 | 130.5 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 114.5 | 88 |
| 1/2 blood good French combing and staple | 112.9 | 118.6 | 123.5 | 121.3 | 109.1 | 105.8 | 104.6 | 105.0 | 87 |
| 3/8 blood good French combing and staple | 102.5 | 108.5 | 111.5 | 109.8 | 108.8 | 107.0 | 106.5 | 106.5 | 97 |
| 1/4 blood good French combing and staple | 97.5 | 103.5 | 107.5 | 106.5 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 104.5 | 98 |
| Low 1/4 blood | 92.5 | 98.5 | 102.5 | 100.0 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 99.5 | 100 |
| Common and braid | 87.5 | 93.5 | 97.5 | 95.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 97 |
| Original bag Texas shorn wool | | | | | | | | | |
| Fine 12 months good French combing and staple | 122.5 | 131.1 | 137.5 | 135.5 | 117.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 83 |
| Fine 8 months (1 in. and over) | 110.0 | 113.5 | 117.5 | 115.5 | 107.5 | 105.1 | 106.0 | 106.0 | 92 |
| Fine fall (3/4 in. and over) | 102.5 | 108.5 | 112.5 | 110.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 88 |
| Scoured pulled wool 1/ | | | | | | | | | |
| 70's, 2 in. and longer | 137.5 | 137.5 | 140.0 | 138.5 | 132.5 | 132.5 | 126.5 | 122.5 | 88 |
| 64's, 70's, 1 1/2 in. and longer | 135.0 | 135.0 | 138.5 | 137.3 | 132.2 | 132.0 | 121.9 | 119.5 | 87 |
| 60's, 64's, 1 1/2 in. and longer | 125.0 | 125.9 | 127.5 | 127.5 | 127.0 | 127.0 | 116.9 | 114.5 | 90 |
| 60's, 1 1/2 in. and longer | 117.5 | 119.0 | 122.5 | 122.5 | 124.0 | 124.0 | 111.9 | 111.0 | 91 |
| 58's, 60's, 2 in. and longer | 117.0 | 118.2 | 122.5 | 121.5 | 121.5 | 121.5 | 106.9 | 105.0 | 86 |
| 56's, 58's, 2 in. and longer | 112.5 | 114.4 | 118.0 | 118.1 | 115.0 | 115.0 | 105.3 | 102.5 | 87 |
| 56's, 2 in. and longer | 110.6 | 112.8 | 117.6 | 116.5 | 113.0 | 113.0 | 104.5 | 100.5 | 86 |
| 50's, 56's, 2 in. and longer | 107.5 | 110.0 | 112.5 | 111.5 | 108.5 | 108.5 | 101.5 | 97.5 | 87 |
| 44's, 50's, 4 in. and longer | 95.0 | 95.5 | 97.5 | 97.5 | 105.0 | 105.0 | 97.1 | 95.5 | 98 |
| 36's, 44's, 4 in. and longer | 87.5 | 88.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 100 |

1/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Part II - Mill Consumption and Imports

| Item | Unit | 1959 May | 1959 June | 1959 July | 1959 Aug. | 1960 May | 1960 June | 1960 July | 1960 Aug. | Latest data available as percent of a year earlier |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill consumption, scoured basis 1/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Average weekly rate during month 2/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool 3/ | 1,000 | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | pounds | 2,790 | 2,566 | 2,475 | 2,600 | 2,457 | 2,304 | 2,003 | 2,374 | 91 |
| 50's up to 60's | do. | 2,238 | 2,264 | 2,131 | 2,179 | 2,372 | 2,479 | 2,312 | 2,311 | 106 |
| 48's and coarser | do. | 527 | 484 | 475 | 547 | 459 | 470 | 345 | 414 | 76 |
| Total apparel wool | do. | 5,555 | 5,314 | 5,081 | 5,326 | 5,288 | 5,253 | 4,660 | 5,099 | 96 |
| Carpet wool 4/ | do. | 3,333 | 2,946 | 2,425 | 3,419 | 2,925 | 2,295 | 2,252 | 3,524 | 103 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 8,888 | 8,260 | 7,506 | 8,745 | 8,213 | 7,548 | 6,912 | 8,623 | 99 |
| Monthly aggregates 2/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool 3/ | Million | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | pounds | 11.2 | 12.9 | 9.9 | 10.4 | 9.8 | 11.5 | 8.0 | 9.5 | 91 |
| 50's up to 60's | do. | 8.9 | 11.3 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 12.4 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 106 |
| 48's and coarser | do. | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.9 | 2.2 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 77 |
| Total apparel wool | do. | 22.2 | 26.6 | 20.3 | 21.3 | 21.2 | 26.3 | 18.6 | 20.4 | 96 |
| Carpet wool 4/ | do. | 13.3 | 14.7 | 9.7 | 13.7 | 11.7 | 11.5 | 9.0 | 14.1 | 103 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 35.5 | 41.3 | 30.0 | 35.0 | 32.9 | 37.8 | 27.6 | 34.5 | 99 |
| Accumulated since January 1 | do. | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool 3/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| By grade | | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | do. | 54.6 | 67.5 | 77.4 | 87.8 | 52.8 | 64.4 | 72.4 | 81.9 | 93 |
| 50's up to 60's | do. | 43.9 | 55.2 | 63.7 | 72.4 | 43.3 | 55.7 | 64.9 | 74.2 | 102 |
| 48's and coarser | do. | 10.2 | 12.6 | 14.5 | 16.7 | 9.2 | 11.5 | 12.9 | 14.5 | 87 |
| By system | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woolen | do. | 50.3 | 62.4 | 71.8 | 82.1 | 50.1 | 62.2 | 70.3 | 79.3 | 97 |
| Worsted | do. | 58.4 | 72.9 | 83.8 | 94.8 | 55.2 | 69.4 | 79.9 | 91.3 | 96 |
| Total apparel wool | do. | 108.7 | 135.3 | 155.6 | 176.9 | 105.3 | 131.6 | 150.2 | 170.6 | 96 |
| Carpet wool 4/ | do. | 74.9 | 89.7 | 99.4 | 113.0 | 73.0 | 84.5 | 93.5 | 107.6 | 95 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 183.6 | 225.0 | 255.0 | 289.9 | 178.3 | 216.1 | 243.7 | 278.2 | 96 |
| Imports for consumption | | | | | | | | | | |
| clean content | | | | | | | | | | |
| Monthly aggregates | 1,000 | | | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wool | pounds | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | do. | 5,597 | 3,874 | 3,897 | 3,751 | 2,477 | 4,011 | 2,997 | 2,876 | 77 |
| 56's-60's | do. | 1,274 | 787 | 401 | 439 | 800 | 889 | 742 | 547 | 125 |
| 50's-56's | do. | 758 | 495 | 519 | 511 | 384 | 522 | 209 | 342 | 67 |
| 46's-50's | do. | 253 | 131 | 297 | 103 | 143 | 148 | 87 | 135 | 131 |
| 44's-46's | do. | 198 | 186 | 271 | 299 | 53 | 71 | 110 | 98 | 33 |
| 40's-44's | do. | 341 | 217 | 174 | 195 | 186 | 244 | 62 | 159 | 82 |
| Not finer than 40's | do. | 1,523 | 1,675 | 681 | 974 | 489 | 905 | 250 | 824 | 85 |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | do. | 333 | 275 | 194 | 190 | 108 | 138 | 52 | 124 | 65 |
| Total dutiable wool 5/ | do. | 10,332 | 7,640 | 6,453 | 6,500 | 4,855 | 6,953 | 4,509 | 5,118 | 79 |
| Duty-free wool | | | | | | | | | | |
| 44's-46's | do. | 418 | 371 | 130 | 65 | 182 | 474 | 269 | 237 | 365 |
| 40's-44's | do. | 1,358 | 1,209 | 170 | 393 | 662 | 2,034 | 2,459 | 1,254 | 319 |
| Not finer than 40's | do. | 9,872 | 9,868 | 8,890 | 6,908 | 5,709 | 10,063 | 7,930 | 7,478 | 108 |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | do. | 6,318 | 6,461 | 4,488 | 4,561 | 4,102 | 4,186 | 3,426 | 3,927 | 86 |
| Total duty-free | do. | 17,966 | 17,909 | 13,678 | 11,927 | 10,655 | 16,757 | 14,084 | 12,896 | 108 |
| Total free and dutiable | do. | 28,298 | 25,549 | 20,131 | 18,427 | 15,510 | 23,710 | 18,593 | 18,014 | 98 |
| Accumulated since January 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wool | Million | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | pounds | 31.8 | 35.6 | 39.5 | 43.3 | 22.5 | 26.5 | 29.5 | 32.4 | 75 |
| 56's-60's | do. | 5.4 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 6.2 | 6.8 | 97 |
| 50's-56's | do. | 3.5 | 4.0 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 2.7 | 3.2 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 74 |
| 46's-50's | do. | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | .8 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 60 |
| 44's-46's | do. | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | .7 | .8 | .9 | 1.0 | 56 |
| 40's-44's | do. | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 67 |
| Not finer than 40's | do. | 5.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 | 8.9 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 63 |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | do. | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.7 | .8 | .9 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 65 |
| Total dutiable wool 5/ | do. | 51.9 | 59.5 | 65.9 | 72.4 | 37.4 | 44.4 | 48.9 | 54.0 | 75 |
| Duty-free wool | | | | | | | | | | |
| 44's-46's | do. | 1.6 | 1.9 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.1 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 100 |
| 40's-44's | do. | 5.4 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 3.4 | 5.4 | 7.9 | 9.1 | 126 |
| Not finer than 40's | do. | 55.5 | 65.4 | 74.3 | 81.2 | 35.8 | 45.8 | 53.8 | 61.2 | 75 |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | do. | 32.2 | 38.7 | 43.2 | 47.7 | 26.0 | 30.2 | 33.6 | 37.6 | 79 |
| Total duty-free wool | do. | 94.7 | 112.6 | 126.3 | 138.2 | 66.3 | 83.0 | 97.1 | 110.0 | 80 |
| Total free and dutiable | do. | 146.6 | 172.1 | 192.2 | 210.6 | 103.7 | 127.4 | 146.0 | 164.0 | 78 |

1/ On woolen and worsted systems; excludes wool consumed on the cotton and other spinning systems and in the manufacture of processed felt, hat bodies, and other miscellaneous products.
2/ Monthly periods are 4 or 5 calendar weeks generally totaling 13 weeks per quarter.
3/ Domestic and duty-paid foreign wool.
4/ Duty-free foreign wool.
5/ Includes carbonized wool which is not reported by grade.
Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part I - Prices

| Item | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents |
| Wool | | | | | | | | |
| Average price received by farmers, grease basis | 54.1 | 54.9 | 53.2 | 42.8 | 44.3 | 53.7 | 36.4 | 43.3 |
| Boston, clean basis 1/ | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic | | | | | | | | |
| Graded territory | | | | | | | | |
| Find good French combing and staple | 165.3 | 173.0 | 170.6 | 142.1 | 137.1 | 161.3 | 118.5 | 121.6 |
| 1/2 blood good French combing and staple | 147.6 | 152.1 | 152.9 | 131.8 | 126.2 | 151.9 | 110.5 | 116.8 |
| 3/8 blood good French combing and staple | 128.7 | 132.3 | 130.9 | 116.9 | 115.2 | 131.0 | 99.9 | 107.6 |
| 1/4 blood good French combing and staple | 120.4 | 121.7 | 117.4 | 108.9 | 108.3 | 123.4 | 95.9 | 102.7 |
| Low 1/4 blood | 103.5 | 102.7 | 104.5 | 99.8 | 101.4 | 112.9 | 88.8 | 96.9 |
| Common and braid | 98.4 | 97.9 | 97.5 | 94.4 | 96.7 | 100.7 | 83.8 | 92.1 |
| Graded fleece | | | | | | | | |
| Delaine | 164.7 | 176.9 | 176.2 | 145.5 | 139.7 | 166.0 | 121.8 | 122.9 |
| 1/2 blood good French combing and staple | 142.7 | 146.8 | 144.4 | 124.3 | 120.7 | 141.4 | 105.0 | 111.6 |
| 3/8 blood good French combing and staple | 117.5 | 120.0 | 117.1 | 107.5 | 107.6 | 121.9 | 90.2 | 102.1 |
| 1/4 blood good French combing and staple | 109.7 | 112.9 | 110.6 | 102.3 | 103.3 | 117.2 | 86.7 | 98.1 |
| Low 1/4 blood | 99.1 | 105.0 | 103.7 | 97.0 | 95.9 | 110.3 | 81.8 | 91.9 |
| Common and braid | 93.3 | 95.5 | 96.3 | 92.6 | 90.6 | 94.7 | 79.6 | 87.0 |
| Original bag Texas | | | | | | | | |
| Fine 12 months good French combing and staple | 166.5 | 180.8 | 177.7 | 145.0 | 143.7 | 170.6 | 123.3 | 125.8 |
| Fine 8 months (1" and over) | 148.6 | 164.8 | 162.8 | 131.6 | 124.2 | 148.9 | 109.6 | 106.9 |
| Fine fall (3/4" and over) | 137.0 | 149.1 | 152.7 | 121.6 | 117.0 | 135.6 | 96.8 | 100.9 |
| Imported, excluding duty | | | | | | | | |
| Australian | | | | | | | | |
| 64's, 70's warp and 1/2 warp | 155.4 | 181.5 | 177.1 | 144.6 | 143.6 | 160.8 | 122.8 | 112.9 |
| 64's, 70's good topmaking | 150.0 | 176.7 | 172.1 | 139.6 | 138.6 | 155.8 | 117.8 | 107.9 |
| 64's combing | 144.6 | 171.5 | 165.9 | 134.6 | 133.1 | 149.4 | 112.8 | 102.9 |
| 58's, 60's combing | 133.0 | 147.4 | 144.3 | 123.2 | 127.9 | 140.8 | 104.0 | 97.9 |
| Montevideo super | | | | | | | | |
| 0's (58's, 60's) | 125.2 | 125.0 | 130.0 | 116.0 | 107.8 | 141.4 | 106.0 | 101.2 |
| 1's (56's) | 111.8 | 107.2 | 119.4 | 110.0 | 103.4 | 134.6 | 99.9 | 98.5 |
| 2's (50's) | 100.3 | 99.9 | 105.4 | 104.0 | 99.4 | 130.3 | 97.2 | 94.2 |
| 3's (46's, 48's) | 81.9 | 89.5 | 94.5 | 94.7 | 92.0 | 97.1 | 89.5 | 84.6 |
| 4's (44's) | 77.3 | 86.2 | 87.0 | 94.0 | 89.9 | 94.6 | 88.4 | 82.7 |
| 5's (40's) | 76.2 | 86.2 | 87.0 | 93.1 | 89.9 | 94.6 | 88.4 | 82.6 |
| Buenos Aires | | | | | | | | |
| 5's (40's) | 76.9 | 76.6 | 80.9 | 84.0 | 83.0 | 90.9 | 68.2 | 75.5 |
| 5/6's (40/36's) | 75.5 | 73.9 | 79.2 | 82.2 | 82.5 | 89.7 | 66.3 | 74.4 |
| Manmade staple fiber | | | | | | | | |
| Viscose, 1-1/2 denier 2/ | 39.7 | 35.0 | 34.0 | 33.7 | 32.0 | 30.3 | 31.0 | 32.5 |
| Acetate, 5 denier 2/ | 37.4 | 35.4 | 32.0 | 35.3 | 32.0 | 32.9 | 35.6 | 36.0 |
| Nylon, 3 denier 3/ | --- | --- | 151.7 | 147.9 | 125.2 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 |
| Dacron, 3, 4.5, and 6 denier 3/ | --- | --- | 161.1 | 157.9 | 135.5 | 141.0 | 140.6 | 136.0 |
| Orlon, 3, 4.5, and 6 denier 3/ | --- | 190.0 | 152.5 | 147.9 | 125.2 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 128.0 |
| Acrilan, 3 and 5 denier 3/ | --- | 185.0 | 140.0 | 135.3 | 112.0 | 113.0 | 116.0 | 118.0 |
| Dynel, 2, 3, 6, 12, and 24 denier 3/ | 127.3 | 128.0 | 128.0 | 124.2 | 105.0 | 106.2 | 110.0 | 110.0 |

1/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.
2/ From Textile Organon
3/ From Modern Textile Magazine.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part II - Supplies

| Item | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. |
| Production | | | | | | | | | |
| As reported | | | | | | | | | |
| Shorn wool | 233.3 | 232.3 | 235.8 | 234.1 | 238.6 | 235.5 | 241.3 | 257.2 | 265.3 |
| Pulled wool | 33.6 | 42.2 | 43.5 | 41.6 | 40.5 | 33.6 | 30.4 | 34.5 | --- |
| Total | 266.9 | 274.5 | 279.3 | 275.7 | 279.1 | 269.1 | 271.7 | 271.7 | --- |
| Approximate clean equivalent 2/ | | | | | | | | | |
| Shorn wool | 102.7 | 102.2 | 103.8 | 103.0 | 105.0 | 103.6 | 106.2 | 113.2 | 119.4 |
| Pulled wool | 25.2 | 31.6 | 32.6 | 31.2 | 30.3 | 25.2 | 22.8 | 25.9 | --- |
| Total | 127.9 | 133.8 | 136.4 | 134.2 | 135.3 | 128.8 | 129.0 | 139.1 | --- |
| Stocks, January 1, scoured basis 3/ | | | | | | | | | |
| Including foreign wool held in bond | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic | | | | | | | | | |
| 56's and finer | 44.4 | 78.4 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 60.1 | 45.4 | 46.5 |
| 46's up to 56's | 11.2 | 14.9 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 17.7 | 15.7 | 14.2 |
| Coarser than 46's | 1.1 | 1.1 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 1.2 | .8 | 1.2 |
| Total domestic 4/ | 57.2 | 94.8 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 79.0 | 61.9 | 61.9 |
| Foreign | | | | | | | | | |
| 56's and finer | 55.6 | 47.6 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 24.2 | 20.7 | 29.1 |
| 46's up to 56's | 12.4 | 11.7 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 6.6 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| Coarser than 46's | 6.9 | 6.5 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 5.3 | 4.7 | 8.2 |
| Total foreign 4/ | 77.9 | 67.3 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 36.1 | 30.0 | 42.0 |
| Total apparel | 135.1 | 162.1 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 115.1 | 91.9 | 103.9 |
| Carpet wool | 38.4 | 42.9 | 42.3 | 30.3 | 34.4 | 33.2 | 33.8 | 33.6 | 47.6 |
| Total apparel and carpet | 173.5 | 205.0 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 148.9 | 125.5 | 151.5 |
| Excluding foreign wool held in bond | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 99.3 | 81.0 | 86.9 |
| Carpet wool | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 28.4 | 28.0 | 37.7 |
| Total apparel and carpet | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 127.7 | 109.0 | 124.6 |
| Imports for consumption | | | | | | | | | |
| Clean content | | | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wool | | | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | --- | --- | 56.9 | 65.3 | 52.4 | 39.7 | 38.8 | 61.9 | --- |
| 56's - 60's | --- | --- | 14.5 | 16.9 | 15.8 | 9.0 | 5.9 | 9.1 | --- |
| Total finer than 56's | 162.0 | 102.6 | 71.4 | 82.2 | 68.2 | 48.7 | 44.7 | 71.0 | --- |
| 50's - 56's | --- | --- | 11.5 | 9.6 | 11.6 | 6.9 | 6.1 | 7.0 | --- |
| 44's - 50's | --- | --- | 4.5 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 4.8 | --- |
| Total 44's - 56's | 47.4 | 28.8 | 16.0 | 13.2 | 15.4 | 9.4 | 8.8 | 11.8 | --- |
| 40's - 44's | 17.1 | 9.8 | 5.5 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 3.9 | 3.3 | 3.2 | --- |
| Not finer than 40's | 18.1 | 21.7 | 9.0 | 10.1 | 12.6 | 10.8 | 7.8 | 11.6 | --- |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | 3.2 | 2.7 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.9 | 5.2 | 2.3 | 2.5 | --- |
| Total dutiable 5/ | 248.4 | 165.7 | 103.9 | 112.8 | 103.8 | 78.2 | 67.1 | 100.5 | --- |
| Duty-free wool | | | | | | | | | |
| Donskoi, Smyrna, etc. | 75.5 | 69.1 | 55.6 | 74.7 | 64.3 | 56.5 | 42.2 | 68.0 | --- |
| Not finer than 40's | 43.1 | 59.5 | 46.5 | 61.3 | 78.8 | 64.5 | 79.1 | 111.0 | --- |
| 40's - 44's | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 1.2 | 10.1 | --- |
| 44's - 46's | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | .1 | 2.5 | --- |
| Total duty-free | 118.6 | 128.6 | 102.1 | 136.0 | 143.1 | 121.0 | 122.6 | 191.6 | --- |
| Total free and dutiable | 367.0 | 294.3 | 206.0 | 248.8 | 246.9 | 199.2 | 189.7 | 292.1 | --- |
| Actual weight | | | | | | | | | |
| Dutiable wool | 379.7 | 260.8 | 159.6 | 169.1 | 151.8 | 111.8 | 97.1 | 146.2 | --- |
| Duty-free wool | 165.3 | 188.0 | 144.8 | 186.0 | 193.2 | 162.0 | 160.9 | 249.0 | --- |
| Total free and dutiable | 545.0 | 448.8 | 304.4 | 355.1 | 345.0 | 273.8 | 258.0 | 395.2 | --- |
| Exports of domestic wool, clean content 6/ | | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | 7/ | 1.4 | 1.0 | .1 | .2 | 1.9 | 5.0 | 7/ | --- |
| Carpet wool | 7/ | .1 | .2 | .2 | .1 | .2 | .1 | .1 | --- |
| Total apparel and carpet | 7/ | 1.5 | 1.2 | .3 | .3 | 2.1 | 5.1 | .1 | --- |

1/ Preliminary. 2/ Production as reported converted on basis of 44 percent yield for shorn wool for 1952 through 1959 and 45 percent yield for 1960 and 75 percent yield for pulled wool. 3/ Includes wool held on consignment and wool in process of manufacture up to the carding operation, but excludes wool held by the Commodity Credit Corporation for the Department of Defense and wool held by or for the account of growers (except that held on consignment for growers). 4/ Includes a small quantity of wool for which grade is not stated. 5/ Includes a small quantity of carbonized wool for which grade is not reported. 6/ Includes exports of foreign wool scoured or otherwise advanced in condition in the United States. 7/ Less than 50,000 pounds.

Stock and import data compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY
Part III - Mill Activity

| Item | Unit | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 1/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mill consumption 2/ | | | | | | | | |
| Annual aggregates | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool (domestic and duty-paid foreign) | Million pounds | | | | | | | |
| 60's and finer | | | | | | | | |
| Worsted system | do. | 132.6 | 98.7 | 97.6 | 107.8 | 78.6 | 70.3 | 87.9 |
| Woolen system | do. | 49.5 | 43.1 | 50.5 | 52.3 | 42.3 | 35.2 | 43.1 |
| Total 60's and finer | do. | 182.1 | 141.8 | 148.1 | 160.1 | 120.9 | 105.5 | 131.0 |
| 50's up to 60's | | | | | | | | |
| Worsted system | do. | 55.5 | 31.4 | 32.2 | 36.1 | 33.1 | 34.2 | 47.7 |
| Woolen system | do. | 73.1 | 61.3 | 69.1 | 71.1 | 63.6 | 52.5 | 58.8 |
| Total 50's up to 60's | do. | 128.6 | 92.7 | 101.3 | 107.2 | 96.7 | 86.7 | 106.5 |
| 48's and coarser | | | | | | | | |
| Worsted system | do. | 17.6 | 11.7 | 10.3 | 8.6 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| Woolen system | do. | 29.7 | 23.4 | 21.5 | 20.8 | 17.1 | 13.5 | 17.2 |
| Total 48's and coarser | do. | 47.3 | 35.1 | 31.8 | 29.4 | 23.3 | 19.8 | 23.7 |
| Total apparel wool | do. | 358.0 | 269.6 | 281.2 | 296.7 | 240.9 | 212.0 | 261.2 |
| Carpet wool (duty-free foreign) | do. | 135.9 | 114.5 | 132.6 | 144.1 | 127.9 | 119.1 | 168.0 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 493.9 | 384.1 | 413.8 | 440.8 | 368.8 | 331.1 | 429.2 |
| Average weekly rates | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | 1,000 pounds | 6,755 | 5,184 | 5,407 | 5,705 | 4,631 | 4,000 | 5,024 |
| Carpet wool | | 2,565 | 2,202 | 2,550 | 2,771 | 2,460 | 2,247 | 3,231 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 9,320 | 7,386 | 7,957 | 8,476 | 7,091 | 6,247 | 8,255 |
| Per capita | | | | | | | | |
| Apparel wool | pounds | 2.24 | 1.66 | 1.70 | 1.76 | 1.41 | 1.22 | 1.48 |
| Carpet wool | do. | .85 | .71 | .80 | .86 | .75 | .68 | .95 |
| Total apparel and carpet | do. | 3.09 | 2.37 | 2.50 | 2.62 | 2.16 | 1.90 | 2.43 |
| Woolen and worsted fabric production 3/ | | | | | | | | |
| Woven fabric (except felt) | Million linear yards | | | | | | | |
| Apparel | | | | | | | | |
| Government orders | do. | 19.5 | .9 | 5.2 | 2.3 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 1.6 |
| Men's and boys' wear | do. | 130.6 | 123.2 | 141.1 | 154.7 | 129.1 | 107.3 | 132.8 |
| Women's and children's wear | do. | 140.5 | 138.3 | 151.4 | 155.6 | 148.9 | 149.9 | 169.1 |
| Total apparel fabric | do. | 290.6 | 262.4 | 297.7 | 312.6 | 282.9 | 262.2 | 303.5 |
| Non-apparel | | | | | | | | |
| Blanketing | do. | 26.7 | 12.6 | 11.8 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 7.2 | 5.4 |
| Draperies and furniture upholstery | do. | .7 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Transportation upholstery | do. | 16.4 | 5.1 | 4.4 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | .9 |
| Other | do. | 1.5 | 4.1 | 3.7 | 1.0 | .9 | .8 | 1.0 |
| Total non-apparel fabric | do. | 45.3 | 21.8 | 19.9 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 9.1 | 7.3 |
| Total woven fabric (except felt) | do. | 335.9 | 284.2 | 317.6 | 324.4 | 294.5 | 271.3 | 310.8 |
| Woven felt | Million pounds | | | | | | | |
| Papermakers | | 7.4 | 7.2 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.2 | 6.8 | 7.8 |
| Other | do. | 2.7 | 2.6 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Total woven felt | do. | 10.1 | 9.8 | 10.8 | 11.0 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 9.6 |

1/ Preliminary.
2/ Consumption on the woolen and worsted systems only. Wool is considered as consumed on the woolen system when laid in mixes; consumption on the worsted system is taken as the sum of top and noil combed.
3/ Fabrics wholly or chiefly by weight of wool, reused wool, reprocessed wool or other animal fibers.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

MOHAIR SITUATION AT A GLANCE

| Item | Unit | 1959 June | 1959 July | 1959 Aug. | 1959 Sept. | 1960 June | 1960 July | 1960 Aug. | 1960 Sept. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mohair | | | | | | | | | |
| Average price received by farmers for Texas mohair, grease basis | Cents per pound | 86.0 | 94.0 | 88.0 | 93.0 | 97.0 | 87.0 | 82.0 | 72.0 |
| Parity price 1/ | | 95.4 | 95.4 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 | 102.0 |
| Farmers' price as percent of parity | Percent | 90 | 99 | 93 | 98 | 95 | 85 | 80 | 71 |
| Boston market prices | Cents | | | | | | | | |
| Texas mohair, grease basis 2/ | per | | | | | | | | |
| Graded | pound | | | | | | | | |
| No. 1 Kid (Bulk 36's) | do. | 175.0 | 175.0 | 175.0 | 175.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 |
| No. 2 Kid (Bulk 32's) | do. | 160.0 | 159.0 | 155.0 | 155.0 | 185.0 | 185.0 | 185.0 | 185.0 |
| No. 1 Grown (Bulk 28's) | do. | 140.0 | 139.0 | 135.0 | 135.0 | 147.5 | 147.5 | 147.5 | 147.5 |
| No. 2 Grown (Bulk 24's) | do. | 110.0 | 110.0 | 110.0 | 110.0 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 117.5 | 117.5 |
| No. 3 Grown (Bulk 20's) | do. | 95.0 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 95.0 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| No. 4 Grown (Bulk 18's) | do. | 85.0 | 85.0 | 85.0 | 85.0 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 | 92.5 |
| Sorted | | | | | | | | | |
| 40's | do. | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 | 245.0 |
| 36's | do. | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 | 235.0 |
| 32's | do. | 180.0 | 180.0 | 180.0 | 180.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 | 205.0 |
| 30's | do. | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 | 165.0 |
| 26's | do. | 130.0 | 130.0 | 130.0 | 125.0 | 135.0 | 135.0 | 135.0 | 135.0 |
| 22's | do. | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 105.0 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.5 |
| 18's | do. | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 97.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 | 107.5 |
| Exports of mohair, clean content | 1,000 | | | | | | | | |
| Monthly aggregate | pounds | 734.0 | 489.6 | 794.7 | 2,589.8 | 700.1 | 247.7 | 194.5 | |
| Accumulated since January 1 | do. | 9,633.3 | 10,122.9 | 10,917.6 | 13,507.4 | 7,954.9 | 8,202.6 | 8,397.1 | |
| Imports for consumption, clean content | | | | | | | | | |
| Monthly aggregate | do. | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | 4 | --- | |
| Accumulated since January 1 | do. | --- | -- | --- | --- | 6 | 10 | 10 | |

1/ Effective parity prices as computed currently using base prices in effect and indexes for months indicated. These parity prices are the legally applicable parity prices for the following month.

2/ From Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR MOHAIR

| Item | | 1952 | 1953 | 1954 | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | SUPPLIES AND CONSUMPTION | | | | | | | | |
| Domestic production 1/ | 1,000 | | | | | | | | | |
| As reported | pounds | 12,215 | 12,757 | 14,578 | 16,923 | 18,233 | 19,058 | 20,855 | 24,180 | |
| Approximate scoured equivalent 2/ | do. | 10.0 | 10.5 | 12.0 | 13.9 | 15.0 | 15.6 | 17.1 | 19.8 | |
| Reported stocks, scoured basis, January 1 3/ | do. | 4,128 | 4,357 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 5,701 | 4,806 | 2,098 |
| Imports for consumption, clean content 4/ | do. | 1,433 | 210 | 88 | 13 | 3 | --- | --- | 8 | |
| Exports 5/ | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clean content | do. | 24 | 883 | 2,536 | 6,053 | 11,835 | 9,992 | 13,210 | 18,561 | |
| Mill consumption, scoured basis | do. | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | |
| Worsted system | do. | 7,933 | 5,544 | 5,041 | 4,443 | 2,743 | 2,114 | 6,147 | 6/ | |
| Woolen system | do. | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | 6/ | |
| | | PRICES | | | | | | | | |
| Average price received by farmers, grease basis 7/ | Cents per pound | 96.3 | 87.7 | 72.4 | 82.2 | 84.4 | 83.7 | 72.3 | 96.4 | |
| Boston market prices for Texas mohair, grease basis | | | | | | | | | | |
| Graded | | | | | | | | | | |
| No. 1 Kid (Bulk 36's) | do. | 166.4 | 181.1 | 212.6 | 208.3 | 162.4 | 184.4 | 159.6 | 177.5 | |
| No. 2 Kid (Bulk 32's) | do. | 156.9 | 167.8 | 191.6 | 182.3 | 148.7 | 164.3 | 143.5 | 160.6 | |
| No. 1 Grown (Bulk 28's) | do. | 143.8 | 146.9 | 137.5 | 117.9 | 112.8 | 124.3 | 103.6 | 135.2 | |
| No. 2 Grown (Bulk 24's) | do. | 122.2 | 122.7 | 92.5 | 81.0 | 91.6 | 104.7 | 81.7 | 108.3 | |
| No. 3 Grown (Bulk 20's) | do. | 99.0 | 84.6 | 77.5 | 75.3 | 81.9 | 94.5 | 70.8 | 96.9 | |
| No.4 Grown (Bulk 18's) | do. | 89.9 | 78.2 | 67.5 | 70.2 | 75.6 | 85.2 | 64.8 | 89.0 | |
| Sorted | | | | | | | | | | |
| 40's | do. | 201.8 | 230.3 | 241.0 | 225.4 | 211.0 | 220.8 | 187.2 | 239.9 | |
| 36's | do. | 186.5 | 213.5 | 226.0 | 200.6 | 180.2 | 192.5 | 166.8 | 227.5 | |
| 32's | do. | 173.9 | 190.9 | 205.6 | 175.8 | 154.6 | 162.8 | 140.5 | 177.5 | |
| 30's | do. | 156.7 | 165.2 | 152.5 | 123.1 | 127.0 | 150.2 | 129.8 | 160.4 | |
| 26's | do. | 135.6 | 134.8 | 102.5 | 92.2 | 105.0 | 127.7 | 102.8 | 126.4 | |
| 22's | do. | 109.4 | 98.4 | 82.5 | 82.1 | 96.3 | 108.1 | 83.5 | 107.8 | |
| 18's | do. | 99.4 | 88.2 | 72.5 | 76.2 | 91.4 | 101.4 | 75.3 | 101.3 | |

1/Production in 7 leading States (Arizona, California, Missouri, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas, and Utah).

2/Production as reported converted on basis of 82 percent yield, the yield factor adopted by the Bureau of the Census to convert stocks reported greasy to a scoured basis.

3/Includes mohair held on consignment, foreign mohair held in bond, and mohair in process of manufacture up to the carding operation but excludes mohair held for the account of or by growers.

4/Includes only mohair not advanced in any manner or by any process of manufacture beyond washed, scoured, or carbonized condition.

5/Includes mohair and other wool-like specialty hair.

6/Not available. Bureau of the Census reports show only combined figure for mohair, alpaca, vicuna, etc, on woolen system.

7/Weighted average.

Data on stocks, imports, exports, and consumption compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census; Boston market prices compiled from Weekly Review of the Boston Wool Market (USDA).

Table 15.--Average weekly rate of consumption of apparel and carpet wool on woolen and worsted systems, scoured basis, United States, by months, unadjusted and adjusted for seasonal variation, 1955 to date

| Month | 1955 | | 1956 | | 1957 | | 1958 | | 1959 | | 1960 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted | Unadjusted | Adjusted |
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| | | | | | | Apparel wool | | | | | | |
| January | 5,279 | 5,442 | 6,171 | 6,316 | 5,290 | 5,403 | 3,322 | 3,404 | 4,855 | 5,010 | 5,138 | 5,319 |
| February | 5,673 | 5,486 | 6,405 | 6,153 | 5,561 | 5,342 | 3,711 | 3,589 | 4,938 | 4,813 | 5,097 | 4,987 |
| March | 5,390 | 5,374 | 5,865 | 5,807 | 5,372 | 5,303 | 3,764 | 3,708 | 4,991 | 4,917 | 4,633 | 4,565 |
| April | 5,586 | 5,402 | 6,255 | 6,020 | 5,024 | 4,826 | 3,644 | 3,497 | 5,595 | 5,364 | 5,004 | 4,793 |
| May | 5,751 | 5,291 | 6,143 | 5,636 | 5,305 | 4,871 | 4,148 | 3,812 | 5,555 | 5,101 | 5,288 | 4,851 |
| June | 5,282 | 5,002 | 5,569 | 5,239 | 5,364 | 5,004 | 4,530 | 4,175 | 5,314 | 4,849 | 5,253 | 4,767 |
| July | 5,046 | 5,295 | 5,214 | 5,460 | 4,210 | 4,376 | 3,963 | 4,090 | 5,081 | 5,179 | 4,660 | 4,721 |
| August | 5,721 | 5,215 | 5,966 | 5,489 | 4,792 | 4,446 | 4,542 | 4,237 | 5,326 | 4,978 | 5,099 | 4,770 |
| September | 5,066 | 5,117 | 5,111 | 5,184 | 4,546 | 4,601 | 4,422 | 4,413 | 5,054 | 5,009 | | |
| October | 5,621 | 5,672 | 5,921 | 6,054 | 3,624 | 3,732 | 4,102 | 4,246 | 5,124 | 5,326 | | |
| November | 5,570 | 6,094 | 4,995 | 5,495 | 3,378 | 3,733 | 4,216 | 4,674 | 4,517 | 5,008 | | |
| December | 5,098 | 5,873 | 5,175 | 5,983 | 3,208 | 3,726 | 3,905 | 4,594 | 4,097 | 4,849 | | |
| | | | | | | Carpet wool | | | | | | |
| January | 2,546 | 2,271 | 3,213 | 2,853 | 2,988 | 2,623 | 2,229 | 1,942 | 3,732 | 3,217 | 4,114 | 3,528 |
| February | 2,540 | 2,165 | 3,362 | 2,849 | 3,330 | 2,784 | 2,406 | 1,988 | 3,738 | 3,056 | 3,761 | 3,058 |
| March | 2,541 | 2,300 | 2,898 | 2,647 | 3,151 | 2,904 | 2,095 | 1,936 | 3,468 | 3,205 | 3,241 | 2,995 |
| April | 2,555 | 2,415 | 3,037 | 2,903 | 2,859 | 2,768 | 1,519 | 1,486 | 3,595 | 3,556 | 3,412 | 3,392 |
| May | 2,585 | 2,707 | 2,863 | 3,043 | 2,369 | 2,575 | 1,464 | 1,634 | 3,333 | 3,822 | 2,925 | 3,401 |
| June | 2,251 | 2,642 | 2,363 | 2,823 | 2,049 | 2,502 | 1,596 | 1,968 | 2,946 | 3,664 | 2,295 | 2,865 |
| July | 1,655 | 2,640 | 1,787 | 2,753 | 1,683 | 2,527 | 1,474 | 2,171 | 2,425 | 3,530 | 2,252 | 3,259 |
| August | 2,629 | 2,543 | 3,044 | 2,930 | 2,424 | 2,331 | 2,480 | 2,385 | 3,419 | 3,291 | 3,524 | 3,392 |
| September | 2,650 | 2,606 | 2,685 | 2,614 | 2,368 | 2,281 | 2,909 | 2,776 | 3,123 | 2,946 | | |
| October | 2,976 | 2,787 | 3,206 | 2,974 | 2,368 | 2,197 | 2,847 | 2,656 | 3,075 | 2,898 | | |
| November | 2,893 | 2,879 | 2,309 | 2,293 | 2,025 | 2,003 | 3,114 | 3,059 | 2,810 | 2,733 | | |
| December | 2,775 | 2,817 | 2,682 | 2,748 | 1,890 | 1,938 | 2,893 | 2,970 | 3,162 | 3,246 | | |

Table 16.--Percentage distribution of production of top by fiber content, United States, by months, 1956 to date

| Year | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent | Percent |
| | Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1956 | 77.1 | 76.1 | 76.8 | 73.4 | 71.9 | 74.9 | 73.8 | 72.3 | 77.8 | 76.0 | 76.8 | 75.2 | 75.2 |
| 1957 | 78.0 | 77.2 | 72.0 | 71.1 | 71.8 | 71.3 | 72.1 | 66.3 | 69.3 | 65.5 | 66.8 | 68.2 | 71.3 |
| 1958 | 86.5 | 83.4 | 82.2 | 81.1 | 80.2 | 79.4 | 79.4 | 82.2 | 83.0 | 83.1 | 88.4 | 90.7 | 83.4 |
| 1959 | 88.4 | 87.8 | 87.5 | 88.3 | 88.2 | 88.4 | 90.3 | 88.9 | 89.0 | 88.8 | 87.8 | 89.3 | 88.5 |
| 1960 | 88.3 | 89.3 | 88.4 | 87.7 | 88.0 | 88.6 | 88.0 | 88.6 | | | | | |
| | Manmade fiber 1/ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1956 | 19.0 | 19.4 | 18.3 | 21.9 | 23.2 | 20.7 | 21.5 | 22.7 | 18.8 | 20.7 | 19.7 | 20.9 | 20.5 |
| 1957 | 18.2 | 19.2 | 23.5 | 24.9 | 23.6 | 24.7 | 24.5 | 28.9 | 26.4 | 29.6 | 28.9 | 26.2 | 24.5 |
| 1958 2/ | 9.2 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 10.8 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 7.6 | 6.1 | 5.4 | 7.4 |
| 1959 | 5.8 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 6.9 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 6.6 |
| 1960 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 7.0 | 6.5 | | | | | |
| | Other fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1956 | 3.9 | 4.5 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 4.3 |
| 1957 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 4.5 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 4.9 | 4.3 | 5.6 | 4.2 |
| 1958 | 4.3 | 7.4 | 8.6 | 8.1 | 12.3 | 13.9 | 14.2 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 9.3 | 5.5 | 3.9 | 9.2 |
| 1959 | 5.8 | 5.3 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 5.1 | 3.5 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 4.9 |
| 1960 | 5.3 | 4.5 | 5.5 | 6.8 | 6.6 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 4.9 | | | | | |

1/ Top combed and top converted from tow without combing.
2/ Excludes top converted from tow without combing, beginning January 1958.

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 17 .--Percentage distribution of apparel wool and other fiber consumed on the worsted system, United States, by months, 1955 to date 1/

| Fiber | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 87.4 | 88.1 | 88.4 | 86.9 | 85.1 | 86.5 | 87.8 | 86.8 | 87.4 | 88.6 | 89.9 | 88.7 | 87.6 |
| 1956 | 88.9 | 88.5 | 88.4 | 88.1 | 87.8 | 89.5 | 89.6 | 88.4 | 90.3 | 89.8 | 89.6 | 89.0 | 89.0 |
| 1957 | 89.7 | 89.2 | 86.1 | 86.9 | 86.5 | 86.8 | 88.0 | 83.8 | 84.6 | 82.5 | 85.7 | 81.8 | 86.3 |
| 1958 | 87.1 | 83.8 | 82.6 | 81.4 | 80.2 | 79.8 | 79.7 | 82.7 | 83.5 | 83.4 | 88.6 | 90.9 | 83.7 |
| 1959 | 88.3 | 88.0 | 87.7 | 88.4 | 88.2 | 88.3 | 90.4 | 89.1 | 89.3 | 89.1 | 87.9 | 89.4 | 88.7 |
| 1960 | 88.3 | 89.2 | 88.4 | 87.7 | 88.1 | 88.7 | 88.0 | 88.7 | | | | | |
| Manmade fiber 2/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 6.3 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.5 | 6.8 | 5.8 | 4.8 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| 1956 | 6.5 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 5.8 |
| 1957 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 8.2 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 10.1 | 9.9 | 11.1 | 8.7 | 11.3 | 8.4 |
| 1958 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.7 | 10.3 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 7.2 | 5.8 | 5.1 | 7.0 |
| 1959 | 5.6 | 6.5 | 6.5 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 7.6 | 5.8 | 6.3 |
| 1960 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.6 | 6.8 | 6.3 | | | | | |
| Other fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 6.3 | 6.5 | 5.6 | 6.7 | 8.1 | 6.8 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 6.1 |
| 1956 | 4.6 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 5.2 |
| 1957 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 5.7 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 6.9 | 5.3 |
| 1958 | 4.4 | 7.5 | 8.7 | 8.3 | 12.7 | 13.8 | 14.2 | 11.2 | 10.5 | 9.4 | 5.6 | 4.0 | 9.3 |
| 1959 | 6.1 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 5.0 |
| 1960 | 5.5 | 4.7 | 5.6 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 5.0 | | | | | |

1/ Consumption on the worsted system is taken as the sum of top and noil combed.

2/ Does not include top coverted from tow without combing.

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 18.--Percentage distribution of apparel wool and other fiber consumed for the spinning of yarn (except carpet) on the woolen system, United States, by months, 1955 to date

| Fiber | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct | Pct. |
| Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 41.9 | 42.0 | 41.4 | 41.1 | 41.9 | 40.2 | 40.3 | 39.2 | 39.3 | 38.2 | 39.8 | 40.1 | 40.4 |
| 1956 | 39.8 | 39.1 | 40.0 | 40.4 | 38.9 | 40.2 | 39.4 | 39.0 | 38.9 | 39.1 | 40.4 | 40.5 | 39.6 |
| 1957 | 39.0 | 39.2 | 39.6 | 38.1 | 37.0 | 37.2 | 36.2 | 35.2 | 35.3 | 34.4 | 31.6 | 33.0 | 36.6 |
| 1958 | 35.3 | 34.2 | 32.9 | 33.4 | 33.8 | 34.4 | 34.2 | 32.7 | 33.0 | 32.0 | 31.7 | 33.7 | 33.4 |
| 1959 | 34.6 | 34.2 | 35.2 | 34.7 | 34.7 | 35.3 | 35.1 | 35.1 | 34.8 | 34.6 | 33.0 | 33.4 | 34.6 |
| 1960 | 34.8 | 34.0 | 33.6 | 34.5 | 35.0 | 35.6 | 35.5 | 34.9 | | | | | |
| Other wool, reprocessed wool, and reused wool 1/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 43.4 | 42.0 | 41.3 | 42.4 | 41.1 | 43.1 | 42.9 | 41.9 | 42.5 | 44.3 | 42.0 | 43.6 | 42.5 |
| 1956 | 43.7 | 43.2 | 42.6 | 42.0 | 42.7 | 41.0 | 42.8 | 42.1 | 41.2 | 40.9 | 38.7 | 41.3 | 41.9 |
| 1957 | 40.4 | 40.3 | 39.9 | 40.6 | 40.5 | 41.2 | 42.2 | 43.0 | 41.4 | 40.7 | 43.6 | 46.0 | 41.5 |
| 1958 | 41.1 | 43.1 | 42.9 | 42.9 | 43.7 | 44.6 | 43.7 | 43.5 | 43.1 | 43.1 | 42.4 | 43.8 | 43.2 |
| 1959 | 42.2 | 42.8 | 42.3 | 42.3 | 42.3 | 42.8 | 42.3 | 43.0 | 42.8 | 42.5 | 43.7 | 44.6 | 42.8 |
| 1960 | 40.7 | 42.0 | 42.0 | 42.4 | 42.3 | 41.9 | 40.8 | 41.0 | | | | | |
| Manmade fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 11.1 | 12.6 | 13.7 | 12.8 | 13.2 | 12.9 | 13.1 | 14.5 | 14.1 | 13.0 | 13.8 | 11.8 | 13.1 |
| 1956 | 11.9 | 12.7 | 12.8 | 13.2 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 13.5 | 14.2 | 15.1 | 15.2 | 15.8 | 13.6 | 13.8 |
| 1957 | 15.9 | 15.3 | 15.8 | 16.7 | 18.0 | 16.8 | 16.7 | 17.0 | 18.6 | 20.0 | 20.2 | 16.9 | 17.2 |
| 1958 | 19.3 | 19.1 | 20.7 | 19.8 | 18.7 | 17.2 | 18.4 | 19.9 | 19.9 | 21.2 | 21.8 | 18.7 | 19.5 |
| 1959 | 19.4 | 19.6 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 19.7 | 18.7 | 19.4 | 18.8 | 19.2 | 19.1 | 19.5 | 18.6 | 19.2 |
| 1960 | 20.9 | 20.3 | 20.4 | 18.9 | 18.7 | 19.1 | 20.0 | 20.6 | | | | | |
| Other fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.0 |
| 1956 | 4.6 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.3 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 4.7 |
| 1957 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.5 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 4.1 | 4.7 |
| 1958 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 3.5 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 4.0 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
| 1959 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.8 | 3.8 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| 1960 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.5 | | | | | |

1/ As defined in the Wool Products Labeling Act of 1939.
Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 19.--Percentage distribution of fibers consumed for spinning of carpet and rug yarns on the woolen system, United States, by months, 1955 to date

| Fiber | Jan. | Feb. | Mar. | Apr. | May | June | July | Aug. | Sept. | Oct. | Nov. | Dec. | Year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. | Pct. |
| Shorn and pulled wool of the sheep | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 67.3 | 67.3 | 67.1 | 68.5 | 72.6 | 68.5 | 69.2 | 70.3 | 71.9 | 70.9 | 70.8 | 73.1 | 69.8 |
| 1956 | 73.6 | 74.0 | 76.2 | 71.8 | 73.7 | 74.8 | 71.6 | 72.4 | 70.5 | 71.3 | 67.1 | 68.7 | 72.2 |
| 1957 | 72.5 | 74.3 | 72.1 | 73.0 | 69.8 | 68.5 | 70.4 | 69.0 | 69.8 | 69.3 | 66.1 | 65.8 | 70.4 |
| 1958 | 65.2 | 63.9 | 65.2 | 59.0 | 60.2 | 64.4 | 68.5 | 68.5 | 68.6 | 68.1 | 67.0 | 69.6 | 66.1 |
| 1959 | 74.8 | 73.0 | 73.0 | 74.9 | 75.0 | 75.4 | 75.7 | 74.9 | 74.3 | 73.5 | 72.4 | 73.7 | 74.2 |
| 1960 | 77.4 | 75.3 | 72.8 | 74.9 | 74.3 | 73.9 | 76.1 | 77.9 | | | | | |
| Other wool 1/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.9 |
| 1956 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.5 |
| 1957 | 1.0 | .9 | 1.0 | .9 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.3 | .7 | .9 | .9 | 1.1 | .9 | 1.0 |
| 1958 | .8 | .7 | .9 | .9 | 1.1 | 1.2 | .9 | .7 | .9 | .8 | .7 | .6 | .8 |
| 1959 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1960 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | |
| Reused and reprocessed wool 1/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 9.1 | 8.6 | 9.8 | 7.9 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.9 | 6.2 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 8.2 | 7.8 |
| 1956 | 7.1 | 7.0 | 6.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 6.2 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 8.6 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 9.7 | 7.9 |
| 1957 | 9.7 | 8.1 | 9.3 | 10.2 | 8.0 | 8.5 | 10.7 | 10.1 | 9.6 | 11.2 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.6 |
| 1958 | 7.9 | 9.2 | 9.6 | 12.3 | 12.5 | 11.9 | 10.5 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 10.6 | 10.1 | 10.1 |
| 1959 | 8.2 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 8.7 | 9.7 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 9.6 | 9.9 | 10.2 | 11.8 | 10.1 | 9.7 |
| 1960 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 9.1 | 8.8 | 9.2 | 9.5 | 8.9 | 8.7 | | | | | |
| Man-made fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | 21.4 | 21.7 | 20.6 | 20.7 | 18.5 | 22.1 | 19.5 | 20.4 | 16.6 | 17.6 | 18.0 | 15.9 | 19.3 |
| 1956 | 16.9 | 16.4 | 14.4 | 17.0 | 15.0 | 16.4 | 16.2 | 16.6 | 18.1 | 17.3 | 21.8 | 19.5 | 17.2 |
| 1957 | 15.8 | 15.0 | 16.2 | 13.7 | 17.9 | 19.1 | 16.0 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 17.5 | 21.5 | 22.0 | 17.3 |
| 1958 | 25.2 | 24.5 | 22.4 | 25.9 | 24.4 | 20.6 | 19.2 | 19.6 | 19.3 | 20.8 | 20.6 | 18.5 | 21.6 |
| 1959 | 15.5 | 16.6 | 16.2 | 15.4 | 14.6 | 13.8 | 14.1 | 14.5 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 14.8 | 15.3 | 15.1 |
| 1960 | 12.6 | 14.9 | 17.1 | 15.2 | 15.4 | 15.3 | 14.0 | 12.9 | | | | | |
| Other fiber | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1955 | .8 | .8 | .8 | .9 | .8 | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.5 | .9 | 1.2 |
| 1956 | .7 | .8 | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.2 |
| 1957 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 2.2 | 3.3 | 2.9 | 1.6 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.7 |
| 1958 | .9 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 1.9 | .9 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 1959 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1960 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | | | | |

1/ As defined in the Wool Products Labeling Act of 1939.

Derived from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 20.--Production of woolen and worsted woven goods, United States, by quarters, 1958-60 1/

| Fabric | 1958 | | 1959 | | | | 1960 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | July-Sept. | Oct.-Dec. | Jan.-Mar. | April-June | July-Sept. | Oct.-Dec. | Jan.-Mar. | April-June |
| | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards | 1,000 linear yards |
| Woven fabric (except felt) | 69,489 | 66,558 | 73,200 | 85,816 | 80,882 | 70,933 | 74,011 | 80,733 |
| Apparel | 67,212 | 63,975 | 71,226 | 83,851 | 79,135 | 69,254 | 72,624 | 79,317 |
| Government orders | 1,808 | 1,483 | 978 | 331 | 211 | 109 | 804 | 850 |
| Other than Government orders | 65,404 | 62,492 | 70,248 | 83,520 | 78,924 | 69,145 | 71,820 | 78,467 |
| Men's and boys' | 2/23,177 | 2/26,873 | 2/33,642 | 2/37,173 | 2/32,741 | 2/29,216 | 2/32,336 | 2/32,302 |
| Woolen | 11,924 | 12,716 | 15,393 | 17,711 | 17,048 | 13,637 | 15,832 | 15,085 |
| Worsted | 10,027 | 12,855 | 16,717 | 17,433 | 14,035 | 14,196 | 15,087 | 15,649 |
| Women's and children's | 2/42,227 | 2/35,619 | 2/36,606 | 2/46,347 | 2/3/46,183 | 2/3/39,929 | 2/3/39,484 | 2/3/46,165 |
| Woolen | 34,281 | 29,165 | 30,322 | 37,514 | 28,515 | 27,295 | 27,079 | 28,877 |
| Worsted | 2,999 | 2,929 | 3,025 | 4,230 | 3,716 | 3,035 | 3,152 | 3,969 |
| Non-apparel | 2,277 | 2,583 | 1,974 | 1,965 | 1,747 | 1,679 | 1,387 | 1,416 |
| Blanketing | 1,731 | 2,005 | 1,416 | 1,438 | 1,294 | 1,318 | 1,054 | 1,058 |
| Government orders | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ |
| Other than Government orders | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ | 4/ |
| Transportation upholstery | 333 | 389 | 299 | 244 | 227 | 136 | 73 | 103 |
| Other non-apparel | 213 | 189 | 259 | 283 | 226 | 225 | 260 | 255 |
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| Woven felt | 1,869 | 2,299 | 2,359 | 2,524 | 2,244 | 2,518 | 2,382 | 2,309 |

1/ Fabrics wholly or chiefly by weight of wool, reused wool, reprocessed wool, or other animal fibers. Blanketing in 72 inch width or equivalent, other fabrics in 54 to 60 inch widths or equivalent 54 inch width.
2/ Includes fabrics 20 oz. and over for which breakdown not available.
3/ Includes fabrics 16 oz. up to 20 oz. for which breakdown not available.
4/ Not available.

Compiled from reports of the Bureau of the Census.

Table 21.--Marketings covered by and payments under the National Wool Act of 1954

| Marketing year | Marketings covered by payments | | | Incentive or support level | | Average price received | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Shorn wool | Unshorn lambs | Mohair | Shorn wool | Mohair | Shorn wool 1/ | Mohair 2/ |
| | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents |
| 1955 | 260.2 | 981.8 | --- | 62 | 70 | 42.8 | 82.2 |
| 1956 | 7/254.3 | 7/1,277.1 | --- | 62 | 70 | 44.3 | 84.4 |
| 1957 | 7/156.1 | 7/1,194.2 | --- | 62 | 70 | 53.7 | 83.7 |
| 1958 | 7/300.1 | 7/1,316.3 | --- | 62 | 70 | 36.4 | 72.3 |
| 1959 | 10/253.7 | 10/1,293.7 | --- | 62 | 70 | 43.3 | 96.4 |
| 1960 | | | | 62 | 70 | | |
| 1961 | | | | 62 | 73 | | |

| Marketing year | Payments | | | | | | | 70 percent of specific and ad valorem duties 6/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Rate | | | Amount 5/ | | | | |
| | Shorn wool 3/ | Unshorn lambs 4/ | Mohair 3/ | Shorn wool | Unshorn lambs | Mohair | Total | |
| | Percent | Cents | Percent | Million dollars | Million dollars | Million dollars | Million dollars | Million dollars |
| 1955 | 44.9 | 77 | --- | 50.0 | 7.6 | --- | 57.6 | 51.5 |
| 1956 | 40.0 | 71 | --- | 44.0 | 7.9 | --- | 51.9 | 51.6 |
| 1957 | 15.5 | 33 | --- | 12.6 | 3.5 | --- | 16.1 | 47.1 |
| 1958 | 70.3 | 102 | --- | 8/73.7 | 8/11.4 | --- | 85.1 | 10/ 54.0 |
| 1959 | 43.2 | 75 | --- | 9/44.7 | 9/ 8.2 | --- | 9/52.9 | 10/ 67.0 |
| 1960 | | | | | | | | |
| 1961 | | | | | | | | |

1/Average price per pound received by growers for wool sold during the marketing year beginning April 1.
2/U.S. average price per pound computed by weighting State average prices by production. Averages for 1955 and 1956 are calendar years; averages for 1957 and later years are for the season beginning April 1.
3/Percentage needed to bring the average return per pound up to the incentive or support level.
4/Per hundredweight of unshorn lambs sold.
5/Payments made after the close of the marketing year.
6/The National Wool Act of 1954, as amended, limits the accumulated total of payments under the Act on any date to 70 percent of the accumulated total, as of the same date, of gross receipts from specific and ad valorem duties on wool and wool manufactures on and after January 1, 1953. The accumulated reserve as of April 1, 1955, was 103.6 million dollars.
7/Unadjusted for weight of unshorn lambs purchased.
8/Through June 30, 1960.
9/Payments made through August 31, 1960, for the 1959 marketing year.
10/Preliminary.

From Livestock and Dairy Division, Commodity Stabilization Service.

Table 22.--Production and planned production capacity of manmade fiber 1/

| Item | Production | | | | Capacity as of December 1961 2/ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1958 | 1959 | January-June | | |
| | | | 1959 | 1960 | |
| | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds |
| United States | | | | | |
| Rayon and acetate | | | | | |
| Filament yarn | 635.7 | 737.7 | 365.4 | 351.0 | 834.0 |
| Staple | | | | | |
| Rayon | 324.2 | 359.1 | 189.9 | 159.6 | 533.0 |
| Acetate | 62.0 | 71.0 | --- | --- | 88.0 |
| Total staple | 386.2 | 430.1 | 189.9 | 159.6 | 621.0 |
| Total rayon and acetate | 1,021.9 | 1,167.8 | 555.3 | 510.6 | 1,455.0 |
| Non-cellulosic | | | | | |
| Yarn | 320.0 | 412.1 | 205.0 | 218.2 | 726.0 |
| Staple | 170.5 | 233.2 | 114.9 | 133.1 | 419.0 |
| Total | 490.5 | 645.3 | 319.9 | 351.3 | 1,145.0 |
| Total manmade | | | | | |
| Yarn | 955.7 | 1,149.8 | 570.4 | 569.2 | 1,560.0 |
| Staple | 556.7 | 663.3 | 304.8 | 292.7 | 1,040.0 |
| Total | 1,512.4 | 1,813.1 | 875.2 | 861.9 | 2,600.0 |
| World | | | | | |
| Rayon and acetate | | | | | |
| Filament yarn | 2,125.2 | 2,419.9 | --- | --- | 3,166.0 |
| Staple | 2,890.2 | 3,140.4 | --- | --- | 4,669.0 |
| Total | 5,015.4 | 5,560.3 | --- | --- | 7,835.0 |
| Non-cellulosic | | | | | |
| Yarn | 586.5 | 771.1 | --- | --- | 1,340.0 |
| Staple | 333.8 | 496.6 | --- | --- | 1,040.0 |
| Total | 920.3 | 1,267.7 | --- | --- | 2,380.0 |
| Total manmade | | | | | |
| Yarn | 2,711.7 | 3,191.0 | --- | --- | 4,506.0 |
| Staple | 3,224.0 | 3,637.0 | --- | --- | 5,709.0 |
| Total | 5,935.7 | 6,828.0 | --- | --- | 10,215.0 |

1/ Excludes textile glass fiber.
2/ Capacity means producing capacity, in operable condition, on an annual basis.
Compiled from Textile Organon.

Table 23.--Wool, cotton and manmade fibers used by the military forces, United States, by quarters, 1956 to date

| Year and quarter | Quantity | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Wool (clean basis) | Cotton | | Manmade fiber |
| | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 bales | 1,000 pounds | 1,000 pounds |
| 1956 | | | | |
| January-March | 1,231 | 21.7 | 10,420 | 1,868 |
| April-June | 629 | 26.1 | 12,509 | 1,638 |
| July-September | 958 | 17.9 | 8,610 | 1,443 |
| October-December | 2,078 | 27.9 | 13,393 | 986 |
| Total 1/ | 4,896 | 93.6 | 44,931 | 5,935 |
| 1957 | | | | |
| January-March | 4,445 | 43.9 | 21,083 | 2,119 |
| April-June | 1,715 | 27.7 | 13,281 | 1,273 |
| July-September | 3,174 | 14.3 | 6,862 | 425 |
| October-December | 1,370 | 20.4 | 9,769 | 263 |
| Total 1/ | 10,704 | 106.2 | 50,995 | 2/ 5,519 |
| 1958 | | | | |
| January-March | 1,929 | 24.6 | 11,808 | 137 |
| April-June | 1,816 | 24.1 | 11,568 | 135 |
| July-September | 3,803 | 23.2 | 11,144 | 752 |
| October-December | 3,377 | 25.3 | 12,135 | 803 |
| Total 1/ | 10,925 | 97.2 | 46,655 | 2/ 3,591 |
| 1959 | | | | |
| January-March | 2,764 | 20.7 | 9,946 | 484 |
| April-June | 950 | 22.6 | 10,869 | 460 |
| July-September | 355 | 13.8 | 6,609 | 222 |
| October-December | 329 | 20.1 | 9,630 | 378 |
| Total 1/ | 4,398 | 77.2 | 37,054 | 2/ 2,865 |
| 1960 | | | | |
| January-March | 363 | 12.9 | 6,179 | 402 |
| April-June | 1,390 | 12.8 | 6,148 | 265 |
| July-September | | | | |
| October-December | | | | |
| Total 1/ | | | | |

1/ Totals were made before data were rounded to thousands.
2/ Includes certain items partly estimated from annual reports. Not available on a quarterly basis.
3/ Preliminary.

Compiled from reports of the Department of Defense.

Table 24.--Price per pound of fleece wools, clean basis (Bradford yield), at the London auctions, by Bradford grades, July 1958 to date

| Week ended 1/ | Good medium fleeces | | Fine crossbred fleeces | | Crossbred fleeces | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 64's-70's | 58's-60's | 56's | 50's | 48's | 46's |
| | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents | Cents |
| 1958 | | | | | | |
| July 18 | 124.9 | --- | --- | 71.2 | 64.2 | 64.2 |
| September 12 | 116.7 | --- | --- | 70.0 | 63.0 | 63.0 |
| September 19 | 112.2 | --- | --- | 67.8 | 63.1 | 63.1 |
| October 24 | 112.3 | --- | --- | 67.8 | 63.1 | 63.1 |
| October 31 | 106.4 | --- | 80.7 | 67.8 | 63.1 | 63.1 |
| November 28 | 106.3 | --- | 81.8 | 68.9 | 64.3 | 64.3 |
| December 5 | 106.3 | --- | 81.7 | 68.9 | 64.2 | 64.2 |
| 1959 | | | | | | |
| January 16 | 98.2 | --- | --- | --- | --- | 63.1 |
| January 23 | 98.3 | 81.9 | --- | 67.9 | 63.2 | 63.2 |
| February 27 | 100.7 | 85.5 | --- | 70.2 | 65.6 | 64.4 |
| March 13 | 103.1 | 86.7 | --- | 71.5 | 66.8 | 65.6 |
| April 17 | 120.9 | --- | --- | 82.2 | 78.6 | 78.6 |
| April 24 | 124.3 | --- | --- | 85.6 | 83.3 | 83.3 |
| May 29 | 118.3 | 96.1 | 86.7 | 79.7 | 77.3 | 76.1 |
| June 5 | 118.3 | 96.1 | 86.7 | 79.7 | 77.3 | 76.2 |
| July 10 | 121.8 | 100.7 | 89.0 | 83.2 | 80.8 | 79.2 |
| July 17 | 124.2 | 103.1 | 90.2 | 85.5 | 83.2 | 82.0 |
| September 18 | 125.1 | 108.7 | 92.3 | 88.8 | 86.5 | 85.3 |
| September 25 | 121.6 | 105.2 | 91.2 | 86.5 | 84.2 | 83.0 |
| October 30 | 121.6 | 107.5 | 91.2 | 86.5 | 84.2 | 84.2 |
| November 6 | 121.4 | 107.4 | 92.2 | 87.6 | 84.1 | 84.1 |
| December 4 | 122.4 | 107.2 | 94.4 | 88.6 | 85.1 | 85.1 |
| December 11 | 122.4 | 107.3 | 94.5 | 88.6 | 86.3 | 86.3 |
| 1960 | | | | | | |
| January 15 | 122.4 | 107.3 | 94.4 | 88.6 | 86.3 | 86.3 |
| January 22 | 122.6 | 107.4 | 94.6 | 88.7 | 86.4 | 86.4 |
| February 12 | 119.1 | 105.1 | 91.1 | 85.2 | 82.9 | 82.9 |
| February 26 | 118.0 | 105.1 | 87.6 | 82.9 | 80.6 | 80.6 |
| March 25 | 122.8 | 107.6 | 91.2 | 85.4 | 84.2 | 83.0 |
| April 1 | 122.8 | 107.6 | 91.3 | 85.4 | 84.2 | 83.1 |
| May 13 | 119.3 | 104.1 | 87.7 | 83.0 | 80.7 | 80.7 |
| May 20 | 119.2 | 104.0 | 88.8 | 83.0 | 80.7 | 80.7 |
| July 8 | 115.8 | 98.3 | 88.9 | 83.1 | 80.7 | 80.7 |
| July 15 | 119.4 | 98.3 | 88.9 | 83.1 | 80.7 | 80.7 |
| September 16 | 109.1 | 92.7 | --- | 79.8 | 77.4 | 77.4 |
| September 23 | 109.0 | 92.6 | --- | 79.7 | 77.3 | 77.3 |

1/ Opening and closing weeks for each series.

Compiled from Krelinger and Fernau market reports. Prices converted from pence (United Kingdom) to cents at current rates of exchange.

Table 25.--Estimated world production of raw wool, 1956-61

| Item | 1956-57 | 1957-58 | 1958-59 | 1959-60 | 1960-61 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds |
| Grease basis: | | | | | |
| Free world | 4,252 | 4,124 | 4,337 | 4,522 | 4,454 |
| Soviet Bloc | 850 | 923 | 1,010 | 1,093 | 1,106 |
| World total | 5,102 | 5,047 | 5,347 | 5,615 | 5,560 |
| Of which: | | | | | |
| Merino | 2,081 | 2,042 | 2,212 | 2,293 | 2,221 |
| Crossbred | 1,861 | 1,831 | 1,942 | 2,078 | 2,089 |
| Total apparel | 3,942 | 3,873 | 4,154 | 4,371 | 4,310 |
| Other | 1,160 | 1,174 | 1,193 | 1,244 | 1,250 |
| Clean equivalent: | | | | | |
| Merino | 1,147 | 1,101 | 1,187 | 1,232 | 1,193 |
| Crossbred | 1,210 | 1,193 | 1,253 | 1,341 | 1,348 |
| Total apparel | 2,357 | 2,294 | 2,440 | 2,573 | 2,541 |
| Other | 580 | 587 | 597 | 622 | 625 |
| Total | 2,937 | 2,881 | 3,037 | 3,195 | 3,166 |

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 26.--Estimated consumption of wool in the 10 chief wool manufacturing countries, clean basis, by quarters, 1959-60

| Countries | 1959 | | | | 1960 | | Jan.-June | | Percentage change | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Jan.-Mar. | Apr.-June | July-Sept. | Oct.-Dec. | Jan.-Mar. | Apr.-June | 1959 | 1960 | Apr.-June | Jan.-June |
| | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Percent | Percent |
| United States 1/ | 111.3 | 113.6 | 105.9 | 98.4 | 111.8 | 104.2 | 225.0 | 216.0 | - 8.3 | - 4.0 |
| United Kingdom | 126.7 | 132.6 | 117.4 | 132.6 | 135.0 | 122.6 | 259.3 | 257.6 | - 7.6 | - .7 |
| France | 51.9 | 73.5 | 61.7 | 79.5 | 77.3 | 73.2 | 125.4 | 150.5 | - .4 | + 20.0 |
| Japan | 47.2 | 58.8 | 57.5 | 62.7 | 63.9 | 68.5 | 106.0 | 132.5 | + 16.5 | + 25.0 |
| Italy | 38.3 | 43.9 | 45.1 | 51.2 | 52.8 | 52.1 | 82.2 | 104.9 | + 18.7 | + 27.6 |
| West Germany | 34.4 | 37.9 | 42.0 | 42.2 | 41.9 | 39.7 | 72.3 | 81.6 | + 4.7 | + 12.9 |
| Belgium | 18.1 | 19.1 | 19.3 | 21.5 | 22.2 | 20.9 | 38.4 | 43.1 | + 9.4 | + 12.2 |
| Australia | 14.8 | 18.8 | 19.9 | 18.6 | 17.6 | 20.4 | 33.6 | 38.0 | + 8.5 | + 13.1 |
| Netherlands | 5.8 | 6.8 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 5.2 | 12.6 | 10.8 | - 23.5 | - 14.3 |
| Sweden | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 5.5 | 6.3 | + 10.7 | + 11.5 |
| Total | 451.2 | 507.8 | 477.1 | 516.0 | 531.3 | 509.9 | 960.3 | 1,041.3 | + .4 | + 8.4 |

1/ Consumption on woolen and worsted system only.

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 27.--Production of wool and hair tops, by specified countries, by quarters, 1959 to date

| Country | 1959 Jan.-Mar. | 1959 Apr.-June | 1959 July-Sept. | 1959 Oct.-Dec. | 1960 Jan.-Mar. | 1960 Apr.-June | Jan.-June 1959 | Jan.-June 1960 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Apr.-June 1959 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Jan.-Mar. 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil.lb. | Mil.lb. | Mil. lb. | Percent | Percent |
| United Kingdom | 86.7 | 90.8 | 80.2 | 90.6 | 90.9 | 81.5 | 177.5 | 172.4 | -10 | -10 |
| France | 31.4 | 49.2 | 41.2 | 55.5 | 54.4 | 50.6 | 80.6 | 105.0 | + 3 | - 7 |
| Japan | 35.7 | 43.2 | 46.0 | 50.4 | 52.4 | 55.8 | 78.9 | 108.2 | +29 | + 6 |
| Italy | 27.5 | 30.4 | 32.1 | 36.4 | 36.0 | 39.0 | 57.9 | 75.0 | +28 | + 8 |
| United States | 32.7 | 35.9 | 34.0 | 30.7 | 32.1 | 33.0 | 68.6 | 65.1 | - 8 | + 3 |
| West Germany | 17.0 | 18.3 | 18.3 | 22.1 | 22.1 | 22.2 | 35.3 | 44.3 | +21 | --- |
| Belgium | 11.5 | 12.1 | 12.0 | 13.8 | 13.6 | 14.6 | 23.6 | 28.1 | +21 | + 7 |
| Australia | 9.4 | 12.1 | 12.8 | 11.7 | 11.0 | 12.8 | 21.5 | 23.8 | + 6 | +16 |
| Uruguay (exports) | 7.0 | 9.1 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 16.1 | 13.8 | -23 | + 3 |
| Netherlands | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 2.7 | 2.7 | - 8 | -20 |
| Sweden | .2 | .1 | .1 | .3 | .4 | .3 | .3 | .7 | +142 | -15 |
| Total | 260.5 | 302.5 | 286.0 | 315.7 | 321.2 | 318.0 | 563.0 | 639.2 | + 5 | - 1 |

Table 28--Production of woolen and worsted yarn, by specified countries, by quarters, 1959 to date

| Country | 1959 Jan.-Mar. | 1959 Apr.-June | 1959 July-Sept. | 1959 Oct.-Dec. | 1960 Jan.-Mar. | 1960 Apr.-June | Jan.-June 1959 | Jan.-June 1960 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Apr.-June 1959 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Jan.-Mar. 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil.lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil.lb. | Mil.lb. | Mil. lb. | Percent | Percent |
| United States | 170.0 | 177.0 | 166.0 | 154.0 | 173.2 | 165.5 | 347.0 | 338.7 | -6 | -4 |
| United Kingdom | 132.8 | 142.3 | 123.3 | 143.3 | 148.1 | 137.0 | 274.9 | 285.1 | -4 | -7 |
| Italy | 79.8 | 94.4 | 93.0 | 100.4 | 104.9 | 103.6 | 174.2 | 208.5 | +10 | -1 |
| France | 63.8 | 81.3 | 67.3 | 88.1 | 83.2 | 81.3 | 145.1 | 164.5 | --- | -2 |
| West Germany | 55.7 | 59.0 | 65.3 | 68.4 | 66.7 | 62.1 | 114.7 | 128.8 | +5 | -7 |
| Japan | 60.4 | 67.6 | 72.4 | 78.2 | 76.8 | 83.1 | 128.0 | 159.9 | +23 | +8 |
| Belgium | 22.3 | 25.6 | 24.9 | 29.6 | 29.1 | 24.3 | 47.9 | 53.4 | -5 | -16 |
| Netherlands | 16.2 | 16.8 | 16.7 | 16.5 | 15.5 | 14.7 | 33.0 | 30.2 | -13 | -5 |
| Australia | 9.6 | 11.9 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 12.1 | 14.5 | 21.5 | 26.6 | +22 | +20 |
| Sweden | 6.9 | 6.9 | 6.0 | 8.0 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 13.8 | 15.3 | +9 | -4 |
| Total | 617.5 | 682.3 | 647.4 | 698.3 | 717.4 | 693.6 | 1,300.1 | 1,409.7 | +2 | -3 |

Table 29.--Production of woven fabrics, by specified countries, by quarters, 1959 to date

| Country | 1959 Jan.-Mar. | 1959 Apr.-June | 1959 July-Sept. | 1959 Oct.-Dec. | 1960 Jan.-Mar. | 1960 Apr.-June | Jan.-June 1959 | Jan.-June 1960 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Apr.-June 1959 | Percentage change Apr.-June 1960 compared with Jan.-Mar. 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil. sq. yds. | Mil. sq. yds. | Mil. sq. yds. | Mil. sq. yds. | Mil. sq. yds. | Mil. sq.yds. | Mil. sq.yds. | Mil. sq. yds. | Percent | Percent |
| United States | 122.0 | 141.0 | 134.0 | 118.0 | 123.6 | 146.0 | 263.0 | 269.6 | +4 | +18 |
| United Kingdom | 95.0 | 96.5 | 96.2 | 108.1 | 104.5 | 92.0 | 191.5 | 196.5 | -5 | -12 |
| Japan | 72.5 | 75.7 | 86.2 | 87.6 | 90.1 | 87.6 | 148.2 | 177.7 | +16 | -3 |
| France | 46.0 | 50.8 | 43.7 | 55.5 | 51.0 | 50.3 | 96.8 | 101.3 | -1 | -1 |
| West Germany | 41.0 | 42.1 | 53.2 | 54.5 | 50.0 | 49.6 | 83.1 | 99.6 | +18 | -1 |
| Netherlands | 16.1 | 17.3 | 16.9 | 16.1 | 15.8 | 15.3 | 33.4 | 31.2 | -12 | -3 |
| Australia | 8.4 | 9.7 | 9.5 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 10.2 | 18.1 | 20.0 | +5 | -10 |
| Italy | 59.3 | 60.7 | 59.1 | 66.9 | 60.6 | 64.0 | 120.0 | 124.6 | +5 | +6 |
| Total | 460.3 | 493.8 | 498.8 | 516.7 | 505.4 | 515.0 | 954.1 | 1,020.5 | +4 | +2 |

Compiled from reports of the Commonwealth Economic Committee.

Table 30 .--Free world exports of wool textiles, 1955-59

| Exporting country | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. |
| Wool and hair tops | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 76.6 | 81.5 | 83.3 | 88.8 | 96.0 |
| France | 43.9 | 45.6 | 48.1 | 43.6 | 54.7 |
| Uruguay | 28.1 | 35.0 | 16.1 | 22.0 | 27.8 |
| Australia | 8.1 | 13.9 | 16.3 | 18.6 | 21.4 |
| Belgium | 10.8 | 13.5 | 16.0 | 13.2 | 17.2 |
| Union of South Africa | 5.8 | 6.3 | 5.6 | 6.6 | 10.7 |
| Other countries | 5.8 | 5.7 | 4.6 | 8.2 | 14.7 |
| Total | 179.1 | 201.5 | 189.9 | 200.9 | 242.4 |
| Woolen and worsted yarn | | | | | |
| France | 46.3 | 46.8 | 45.1 | 39.0 | 51.3 |
| Belgium | 27.4 | 30.8 | 31.5 | 24.9 | 35.2 |
| United Kingdom | 26.4 | 28.9 | 29.9 | 25.2 | 31.1 |
| Italy | 6.1 | 9.9 | 13.0 | 10.4 | 11.1 |
| Japan | 7.9 | 7.3 | 10.9 | 7.8 | 8.0 |
| Netherlands | 5.4 | 6.7 | 7.2 | 8.4 | 11.3 |
| Other countries | 17.5 | 19.7 | 20.1 | 18.7 | 21.5 |
| Total | 137.0 | 150.8 | 157.6 | 134.3 | 169.6 |
| Wool fabric (excluding blankets) | | | | | |
| Italy | 61.1 | 74.8 | 88.5 | 74.8 | 91.3 |
| United Kingdom | 63.9 | 65.6 | 65.3 | 56.6 | 61.2 |
| Belgium | 12.3 | 15.9 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 22.3 |
| Japan | 8.9 | 10.9 | 13.9 | 11.3 | 15.7 |
| France | 9.4 | 9.8 | 10.5 | 9.6 | 12.1 |
| Netherlands | 9.5 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 10.1 | 12.7 |
| West Germany | 5.2 | 5.7 | 6.2 | 6.2 | 8.0 |
| Other countries | 8.2 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.7 | 9.6 |
| Total | 178.5 | 200.8 | 221.2 | 195.5 | 232.9 |

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Table 31 .--World trade in tops, by quarters, 1959-60

| | 1959 | | | | 1960 | | Percentage change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1st. qtr. | 2nd. qtr. | 3rd. qtr. | 4th. qtr. | 1st. qtr. | 2nd. qtr. | 2nd. qtr. 1960 with 2nd. qtr. 1959 |
| | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Mil. lb. | Percent |
| Exports | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 21.2 | 24.1 | 25.1 | 25.6 | 25.9 | 25.6 | + 6.2 |
| France | 14.0 | 14.2 | 11.5 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 14.2 | --- |
| Uruguay | 7.0 | 9.1 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 6.8 | 7.0 | - 23.1 |
| Australia | 4.6 | 5.6 | 6.2 | 5.1 | 5.9 | 5.7 | + 1.8 |
| Belgium | 2.7 | 4.1 | 4.5 | 5.9 | 5.6 | 1/ 4.5 | + 9.8 |
| Union of South Africa | 1.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.5 | 2.7 | - 6.9 |
| Japan | .7 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.3 | .8 | 1.1 | - 21.4 |
| Germany (Fed. Rep.) | .6 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 | .9 | .6 | - 50.0 |
| Argentina | .9 | .4 | .2 | .2 | .5 | .5 | + 25.0 |
| Switzerland | .2 | .4 | .3 | .3 | .2 | .1 | - 75.0 |
| Total | 53.8 | 63.4 | 61.1 | 60.3 | 64.3 | 1/ 62.0 | - 2.2 |
| Imports | | | | | | | |
| Belgium | 5.7 | 4.9 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 6.8 | 1/ 6.6 | + 34.7 |
| Netherlands | 4.6 | 5.0 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 3.8 | - 24.0 |
| India | 4.0 | 5.2 | 3.3 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 3.9 | - 25.0 |
| Canada | 2.3 | 3.6 | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 1/ 3.3 | - 8.3 |
| Switzerland | 2.8 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 2.6 | 3.2 | - 5.9 |
| Italy | 3.1 | 3.9 | 1.9 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 1/ 4.0 | + 2.6 |
| Japan | 1.3 | 2.9 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.6 | - 44.8 |
| France | .5 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.1 | - 8.3 |
| Germany (Fed. Rep.) | 3.2 | 2.8 | 2.3 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.0 | + 7.1 |
| Denmark | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.0 | - 9.1 |
| Sweden | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1/ 1.4 | - 12.5 |
| Norway | .8 | .9 | .8 | .7 | .5 | 1/ 1.4 | + 55.6 |
| United Kingdom | .6 | .7 | 1.1 | .6 | .2 | .2 | - 71.4 |
| United States | .8 | 1.6 | 1.1 | .8 | 1.7 | 1/ 1.5 | - 6.2 |
| Irish Republic | .2 | .3 | .4 | .4 | .5 | 1/ .8 | +166.7 |
| Total | 32.1 | 39.1 | 32.6 | 36.2 | 37.1 | 1/ 36.8 | - 5.9 |

1/ Estimated.

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Table 32.--World trade in woolen and worsted yarn, by quarters, 1959 to date

| | 1959 1st quarter | 1959 2nd quarter | 1959 3rd quarter | 1959 4th quarter | 1960 1st quarter | Percentage change 1st quarter, 1960 with 1st quarter 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Percent |
| Exports | | | | | | |
| France | 9.6 | 12.4 | 12.7 | 16.7 | 15.1 | +57.3 |
| Belgium | 6.2 | 8.4 | 9.1 | 11.6 | 1/10.0 | +61.3 |
| Italy | 2.1 | 2.4 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 3.1 | +47.6 |
| Japan | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.7 | -10.5 |
| United Kingdom | 6.9 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 8.8 | 8.7 | +26.1 |
| Netherlands | 2.2 | 2.5 | 3.9 | 2.8 | 2.5 | +13.6 |
| Austria | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.1 | --- |
| West Germany | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 1.3 | +30.0 |
| Switzerland | .9 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.2 | +33.3 |
| Total | 31.9 | 39.3 | 42.9 | 50.4 | 1/44.7 | +40.1 |
| Imports | | | | | | |
| West Germany | 10.8 | 14.1 | 17.0 | 21.4 | 18.3 | +69.4 |
| Netherlands | 5.7 | 6.3 | 5.9 | 7.3 | 5.2 | - 8.8 |
| Belgium | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 1/2.2 | +37.5 |
| Switzerland | .9 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 2.2 | 1.0 | +11.1 |
| Denmark | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.4 | +16.7 |
| Austria | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.7 | +54.5 |
| Sweden | 1.2 | 1.8 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 1.8 | +50.0 |
| Norway | .6 | .7 | .8 | .9 | .3 | -50.0 |
| United Kingdom | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.3 | +18.2 |
| United States | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1/1.2 | --- |
| Irish Republic | .4 | .5 | .5 | .7 | .8 | +100.0 |
| Canada | .6 | .7 | .6 | .6 | 1/1.2 | +100.0 |
| Total | 26.4 | 32.1 | 35.2 | 44.0 | 1/36.4 | +37.9 |

1/ Estimated.

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Table 33.--Exports of woolen and worsted fabric from chief exporting countries, by quarters, 1959 to date

| | 1959 1st quarter | 1959 2nd quarter | 1959 3rd quarter | 1959 4th quarter | 1960 1st quarter | Percentage change 1st quarter, 1960 with 1st quarter 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Million pounds | Percent |
| Italy | 12.3 | 20.9 | 27.7 | 20.7 | 18.5 | +50.4 |
| United Kingdom | 13.8 | 13.9 | 15.0 | 14.5 | 15.4 | +11.6 |
| Belgium | 5.2 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 6.8 | 1/6.5 | +25.0 |
| Japan | 3.4 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 5.1 | 4.6 | +35.3 |
| France | 2.2 | 2.3 | 4.0 | 3.6 | 3.0 | +36.4 |
| Netherlands | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 2.7 | - 3.6 |
| West Germany | 1.3 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | + 7.7 |
| Switzerland | .6 | .6 | .8 | .7 | .6 | --- |
| Austria | .2 | .4 | .4 | .4 | .3 | -50.0 |
| Total | 41.8 | 51.4 | 61.9 | 57.1 | 1/53.0 | +26.8 |

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